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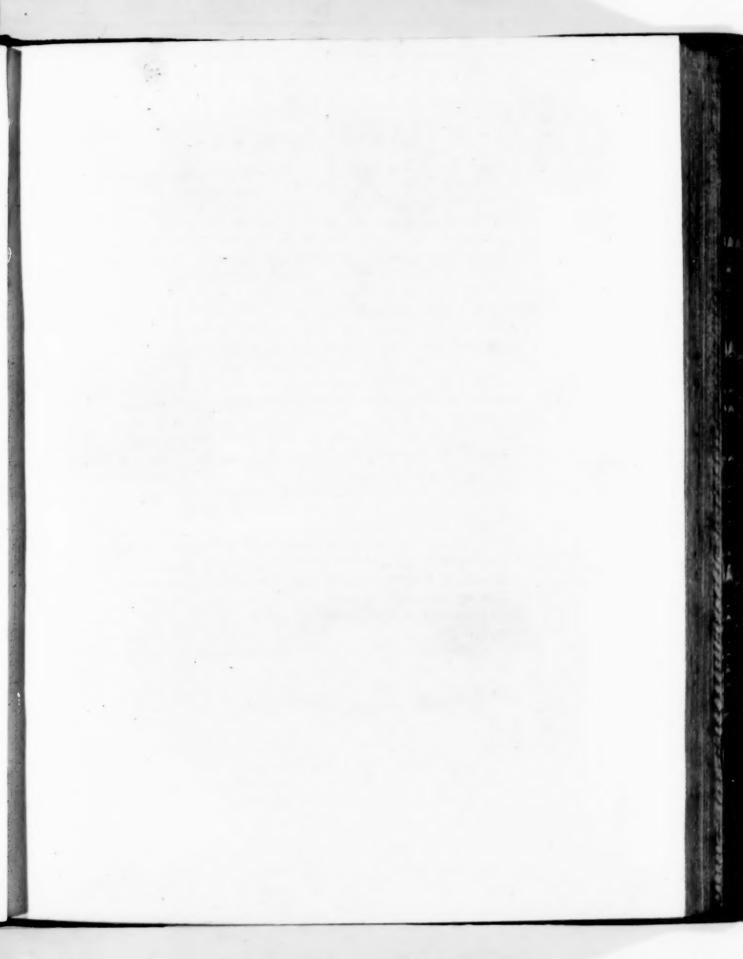
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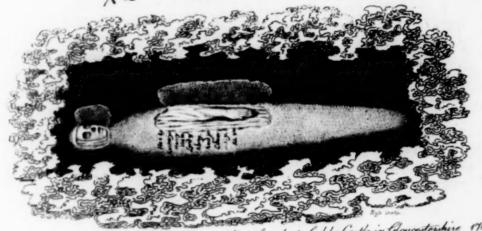
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## ARCHAEOLOGIA:

OR,

### MISCELLANEOUS TRACTS, &c.

I. Observation on the Time of the Death and Place of Burial of Queen Katharine Parr. By the Rev. Treadway Nash, D. D. F. A.S.

Read June 14, 1787.

As it is the plan of the Society of Antiquaries to give attention to discoveries however trifling, which may tend to illustrate any point of English history, I now take the liberty of laying before them some circumstances which clearly ascertain the time of the death, and burying place of Katharine Parr, sixth and last wife of Henrythe Eighth. If no account of this discovery hath by any one been laid before the Society, I wish this to be read, as George Ballard the industrious Antiquary of Cambden, a town about ten miles from Sudley, says, the particulars of Vol. IX.

the death and burial of this lady are defiderata, and his ignorance of it appears the more extraordinary, as his bufiness of a stay-maker must often have led him into those parts.

Indeed my late worthy and ingenious friend Mr. Granger, fays, "The Rev. Mr. Hugget, a very accurate Antiquary, has "given undoubted authority for the death of this Queen in the "Castle of Sudley in Gloucestershire, September 5, 1548; and for her interment in the Chapel there." Probably he alludes to a MS. in the Heralds College, intituled, "A book of Buryalls of trew Noble Persons, N° 15, p. 98, 99, entitled a breviate of the interment of the Ladye Katheryn Parre, Quene Dowager, &c."—which goes on,

"Item, on Wenysdaye the 5 Septembre, between 2 or 3 of the clocke in the morninge died the aforesaid Ladye, late Quene Dowager, at the Castle of Sudley in Gloucestershire, 1548, and lyeth buried in the Chappell of the said Castle.

"Item, the was ceared and cheftid in lead accordinglie, and for remained, &c."

This account being published in Rudder's new History of Gloucestershire, raised the curiosity of some ladies, who happened to be at the Castle in May 1782, to examine the ruined Chapel, and observing a large block of alabaster, fixed in the North wall of the Chapel, they imagined it might be the back of a monument formerly placed there. Led by this hint they opened the ground not far from the wall; and not much more than a soot from the surface they sound a leaden envelope which they opened in two places, on the sace and breast, and found it to contain a human body wrapped in cerecloth. Upon removing what covered the face, they discovered the features, and particularly the eyes, in perfect preservation. Alarmed at this sight, and with the smell, which came principally from the

cerecloth, they ordered the ground to be thrown in immediately without judiciously closing up the cerecloth and lead, which covered the face: only observing enough of the inscription to convince them that it was the body of Queen Katharine.

In May 1784 some persons having curiosity again to open the grave, sound that the air, rain, and dirt, having come to the sace, it was entirely destroyed, and nothing lest but the bones. It was then immediately covered up, and no farther search made.

October 14, 1786, I went to Sudley [a], in company with the Hon. John Sommers Cocks, and Mr. John Skipp of Ledbury, having previously obtained leave of Lord Rivers, the owner of the Castle, to examine the Chapel. Upon opening the ground, and heaving up the lead, we found the face totally decayed, the bones only remaining; the teeth, which were found, had fallen out of their fockets. The body, I believe, is perfect, as it has never been opened: we thought it indelicate and indecent to uncover it; but observing the lest hand to lie at a small distance from the body, we took off the cerecloth, and found the hand and nails perfect, but of a brownish colour: the cerecloth consisted of many folds of coarse linen, dipped in wax, tar, and perhaps some gums: over this was wrapt a sheet of lead sitted exactly close to the body.

I could not perceive any remains of a wooden coffin. On that part of the lead which covered the breast was the inscription similar to the etching hereunto annexed.

The Queen must have been low of stature, as the lead which inclosed her corpse was but five feet sour inches long. The letters K. P. above the inscription was the signature she com-

. [a] Sudley is fituated near to Winchcombe, about 13 miles from Gloucester, and about 8 from Cheltenham.

monly used, though sometimes she signs herself, "Keteryn the Quene."—It seems at first extraordinary she should be buried so near the surface of the ground, but we should consider, that a pavement, and perhaps some earth had been taken away, since the was first interred, and as she was buried within the Communion-rails, probably that ground might be formerly two or

three steps higher than the rest of the Chapel [b].

I could heartily wish more respect were paid to the remains of this amiable though unfortunate Queen, and would willingly, with proper leave, have them wrapt in another theet of lead and coffin, and decently interred in some proper place, that at least after her death her body might remain in peace; whereas the Chapel where the now lies is used for the keeping of rabbits, which make holes and fcratch very indecently about her Royal corpfe. Befides the Queen, many other eminent perfons are buried in this Chapel, Sir John Bruges created Lord Chandos of Sudely, in the reign of Queen Mary (ancestor to the present Duke of Chandos), his fon Edmund Lord Chandos, Giles Lord Chandos, and Grey Lord Chandos, who, for the great interest he had in those parts, was called the King of Coteswold; and George Lord Chandos, who had three horses killed under him at the Battle of Newbury, in defence of King Charles the First. All thefe, together with many eminent men, lie neglected in the ruined Chapel of Sudley.

The Chapel was an elegant building in the Gothic style, ornamented with a tower, battlements, and pinnacles, probably of a later date than the Castle, which, though it was much altered; and improved by the High Admiral, doth not appear as if built by him from the foundation, but of an age prior to that

<sup>[4]</sup> Her head lies to the West, and her seet to the East, so that rising upon her seet, her sace would be to the East.

of Henry the Seventh. Indeed, great part of the Castle was built by Ralph le Boteler, Lord of Sudley, 20 Henry VI. out of the spoils taken from the French. He was Treasurer of England, and Admiral at Sea, where he took Portman a Frenchman prifoner, with whose ransom he built one of the towers, which from his name was called Portman's Tower [c]. It was probably then a very magnificent palace, for the owner of it, when arrested by Henry the Fourth, as he was being conveyed to London, looked back upon Sudley Castle, and was heard to say, "Sudley Castle, thou art the Traytor, not I."

From the epitaph written by Dr. Parkhurst, chaplain to Queen. Katharine, as well as from the style of the building, I should think the Chapel was intirely built by the brother of the Protector Somerset; for the brothers were both great patrons of the arts, and Sudley Castle might once have rivalled Somerset House in the Strand, and had this advantage, that it was not founded so much on rapine, and devastation of private property.—But to return to Queen Katharine.

Katharine Parr was born about the year 1510. She was the eldest of the daughters of Sir Thomas Parr of Kendal in West-moreland. Her father, though not rich, bestowed on her a learned education, which at that time was much in fashion: her fine parts and great application enabled her to make improvements suitable to the opportunities allowed her. Her person and deportment were amiable, though she was not esteemed a beauty. Her father by his last will gave her a fortune of f. 400. a portion even at that time small for the daughter of a country gentleman. Sir Thomas likewise in his will bequeaths to his son a gold chain given him by the King, of the value of f. 140.—If the royal present had not been highly esteemed,

the chain would have been fold, and increased his daughter's fortune.

Katharine was early married to Edward Burghe; after his death, to John Neville Lord Latimer, a nobleman of large property in Worcestershire, and other counties; for George Neville Lord Latimer, marrying Elizabeth, daughter and heir of Richard Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick, had the manors of Great Cumberton, Wadborough, and other estates in our county, which, on his marriage, John Lord Latimer settled on Katharine Parr in jointure, and she held them during her life.

I do not find how long her first or second husband lived with her, but the was [d] married to the King at Hampton Court, July 12, 1543, at the latter end of that Monarch's life, when he was violent and cruel, fo that, in all probability, the enjoyed with him but little happiness or quiet. Indeed, the was near paying for her royalty with her life, for as the had been taught from her infancy to enquire into the principles of her religion, the could not help arguing fometimes with the King: a thing he could never bear, especially in matters of religion, in which he thought every one should conform to his ideas, and deemed it the highest prefumption, that Kate, as he called her, should turn Doctor, and pretend to instruct him; by the instigation therefore of Gardiner, Bishop of Winchester, he ordered the Chancellor Wriothesley to arrest her, and convey her to the Tower, from whence the would probably have ended her days upon a fcaffold, if her adroitness and submission had not appeafed the wrath of her hufband. With this tyrant she lived three years, fix months, and five days, and only escaped his

clutches

<sup>[</sup>d] It is to be observed that though a widow when she married the King, yet she was distinguished by her maiden name. So the wife of Edward IV. was called Elizabeth Widville, and not Elizabeth Grey.

clutches, to fall into worfe hands. She loved learning, and was a great patron of it, being herfelf well informed. She interceded earnestly for the University of Cambridge, which was in danger of sharing the fate of the monasteries [e]. She was of a religious turn, composed many letters, prayers, and pious meditations both in Latin and English. I shall quote one prayer, which breathes the true spirit of Humanity and Christianity. It was written during the French war, and the King's expedition into France, and feems preferable to the prayer directed by our liturgy to be used in time of war. It runs thus: " Our cause being just, and being es enforced to enter into war and battle, we most humbly be-" feech thee, O Lord God of Hofts, fo to-turn the hearts of " our enemies to the defire of peace, that no Christian blood be " fpilt; or elfe, grant, O Lord, that with small effusion of blood,.. 44 and to the little hurt of innocents, we may, to thy glory, obtain victory, and that, the wars being foon ended, we may "all with one heart and mind, knit together in concord and " unity, laud and praise thee, O Lord."-This to my ears founds better than, " abate their pride, affuage their malice, and con-" found their devices."

The fairest characters may easily admit a stain, and the most immaculate are not secure from the breath of scandal: even Queen Katharine is charged with too great a partiality for Sir. Thomas Seymour, and with an affection for him before the married the King. This affection revived after the death of her royal. husband, if it did not continue during his life : however it is certain fhe foon and privately married Sir Thomas, " fo foon, et that it is faid, if the had early proved pregnant it might have been doubtful whose child it was," but she was not delivered

<sup>[</sup>e] See her Letter in Strype's Ecclesiastical Memorials.

for a year and half after the king's death. This match was attended with the fate of most clandestine marriages, the misery and ruin of the semale; for, cruel as Henry was, Katharine escaped better from the clutches of the King, than from the ill usage and treachery of her beloved Seymour. She died the seventh day after she was delivered of a daughter (whom the father before his execution committed to the care of the Dutchess of Susfolk), of a broken heart, not without suspicion of poison [f].

Thus did a hard fate attend this amiable woman. The ambition of Seymour, the object of her choice, was not fatisfied with marrying the Queen Dowager, but he aimed at a match with the Princess Elizabeth, by which he hoped he might one day become husband to the Queen regent, if not King of England: besides, the pride of her sister in law, and the ill temper of her husband, whom she adored to the last, and who had every external qualification calculated to captivate the female heart, were constant sources of misery to this unfortunate woman.

Strype has given us an Epitaph written by her chaplain, Dr. Parkhurst, afterward Bishop of Norwich, which perhaps was engraved on the monument erected for her in the Chapel of Sudley castle: it is as follows:

Hoc Regina novo dormit Katharina fepulchro,
Sexus fæminei flos, honor, atque decus:
Hæc fuit Henrico conjux fidiffima regi,
Quem postquam e vivis Parca tulisset atrox,
Thomæ Seymero (cui tu, Neptune, tridentem
Porrigis) eximio nupserat illa viro:
Huic peperit natam; a partu cum septimus orbem
Sol illustrasset, mors truculenta necat.

[ ] This heavy charge is founded on the Salisbury papers published by Haynes, p. 103, 104.

Defunctam

### and Place of Burial of Quech Katharine Part.

Defunctam madidis famuli deflemus ocellis, Humescit tristes terra Britanna genas: Nos infelices mæror confumit acerbus, Inter coelestes gaudet at illa choros.

### Englished thus:

In this new tomb the royal Kath'rine lies, Flower of her fex, renowned, great, and wife. A wife by every nuptial virtue known, And faithful partner once of Henry's throne. To Seymour next her plighted hand the yields (Seymour who Neptune's trident justly wields); From him a beauteous daughter blefl'd her arms, An infant copy of her pareue's charms. When now feven days this tender flower had bloom'd, Heaven in it's wrath the mother's foul refum'd. Great Kath'rine's merit in our grief appears, While fair Britannia dews her cheek with tears, Our loyal breafts with rifing fighs are torn, With faints the triumphs, we with mortals mourn.

There is an original picture of her in the gallery at Lambeth over the chimney-piece.

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11. An Account of the Discovery of the Corpse of one of the Abbots of Gloucester. In a Letter from Mr. John Cooke, Surgeon, of that City, to Charles Marsh, Esq. F. R. and A. S. S.

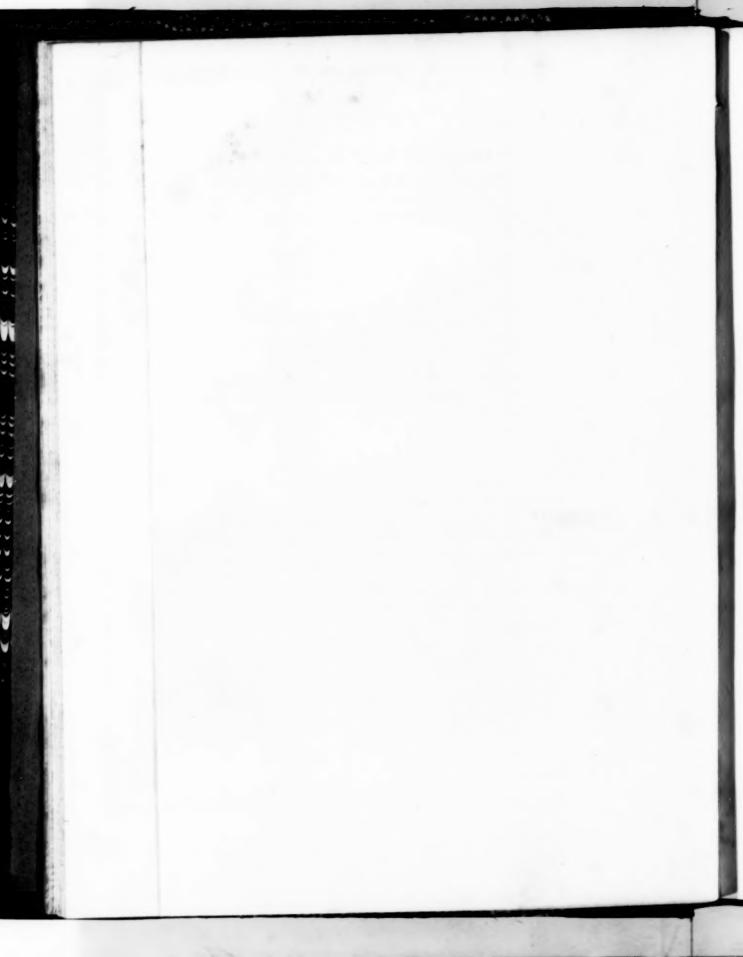
### Read June 21, 1787.

IN the year 1741, Bishop Benson, at his single expence, for the better securing of the organ, which had been removed some years before from the South fide of the choir, gave order that a screen with proper pillars should be erected. During the course of this work a stone coffin containing the corpse of an abbot was discovered. Very lately it was thought proper that the whole of the pavement of the body of the church should be new laid, to which the late Chancellor Benfon very liberally contributed. It was begun in his life-time. This occasioned the fame coffin to be again exposed, and by this it is also to be apprehended that many very antient grave stones must be destroyed. and the modern ones removed from the vaults they covered to diffinct places, to effect the uniformity of the flooring. On Monday the 7th of March last I had past through the Cathedral at the time when the fame graves were just exposed. Several perfons were standing round the venerable remains, and I was. called upon to be a spectator of that awful fight. My attention was instantly fixt, and I node a sketch which I have since perfected.









perfected[a]. Had I not accidentally past at the time of the removal of the stones which concealed the above cossin, it is probable we might not have had this opportunity of illustrating the annals of our abbots. The stone cossin in which the corpse was laid, was so near the surface that it had no other covering but the old pavement. The deceased appeared to have been buried in a robe or gown, and leathern boots: the leather still retaining a degree of simmess, nor had it totally lost its elastic quality. The robe was decayed; for although it had the appearance of solds in several parts, yet when toucht it was sound to be nothing but powder or dust; the bones were not injured.

Anatomists tell us, "bodies may be discovered in vaults seeming persect and sound, because the earth in every part of the animal still retains a degree of adhesion, though every other principle is destroyed, such bodies are not putrid (for it does not follow that animals always became putrid after death) yet when exposed to air or on the touch crumble into dust."

There was in the hand of the deceased a crosser neatly adorned with silver, which had been gilt and burnished. It was chiefly of wood, and the staff perfectly hard and sound. When first seen by me it was intire. The drawing gives an exact copy of it, as to size, form, &c. There were also some remnants of other symbols, marking the grave of an abbot. Our monastic history informs us, that John Wigmore, or Wygmor, prior, was made abbot in 1329, and dying on the 12th of the Kalends of March 1337, was buried in the South side, near the entrance of the choir, which he inclosed. On this very spot was this stone cossin. It is of one stone only, hewn out for the reception of the body. The cavity in which the corpse, &c. was laid measures in length six seet six inches and an half; its form as represented in the drawing I have sent. The crosser was removed

by some person in 1741, when it was first discovered; but the pious bishop, who considered the remains of his predecessor as facred, ordered that it should be immediately replaced, and commanded that no further liberties might be taken with any thing appertaining to the deceased. But this humane order was not strictly observed, as several persons cut off pieces of the gown or robe. in appearance a kind of ferge. One of the fextons was known to have a remnant of this robe in his pocket for many years. I have heard also of the remains of the gloves and other ornaments not very exactly described by those who saw them. As to the sketch herewith fent, it has been seen by some of those people, who agree that as well as they can recollect it refembles what they faw at the time of the former opening of the pavement. Two of these persons saw it after the second opening, and all agree in fentiment, and I have the fatisfaction to hear them declare it to be a faithful representation.

I am to add, this strongly proves that a dry situation near the surface of the ground, where nothing is near the body but a porous stone, is one of the best preservatives for the animal frame, and in that situation the bones may remain without in-

jury 4 o years.

On the day following I made another vifit to the place; beheld the grave was filled up with rubbish, and the facred bones of the venerable old man were scattered, his skull broken in pieces, and my distress not easy to be described. Several perfons were standing round the grave. A few days after this one of the vergers called on me at my request, and brought with him the remains of the head of the abbot's crosser, that I might correct my drawing by it if necessary. The master of the workmen has great part of the stick or staff which belonged to

it, and I had from the fexton a piece of the boot. The motive which induced the workmen to disturb the body seems to have been the searching after spurs. If this narrative of facts has your approbation, and you think proper to lay it before the Society, you will do me honour.

I remain with great esteem,

Sir, your obliged and obedient humble fervant,

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Gloucester, April 18, 1787.

JOHN COOKE.

of Saxony, and Knight of the White Eagle of Poland, F. R. and A. SS. to the Hon. Daines Barrington, containing some Chess Anecdotes of the present Century.

Read May 3, 1787.

DEAR SIR,

I FIND myself very much honoured by the very able and learned Differtation you have been pleased to address to me, and, in compliance with your commands, I have sent it to the Secretary of the Society of Antiquaries, to which I can easily conceive it must prove a very valuable acquisition. Perhaps, before it is sent to the press, you would wish to add some notices concerning two eminent players in France, and likewise make use of the inclosed anecdote.

One of the first rate players in France was a Monsieur de Grosmenil, who died at an advanced age about the year 28 or 30 of this century, and, who had attained such a superior skill that Mr. de Légal who is still living, though turned of 80, told me when I was last at Paris, in Nov. 1785, that Mr. de Grosmenil generally beat him every game of which he had the move. Mr. de Légal is allowed to be even now the best player after Philidor, who owes chiefly to his instruction the superior skill he possesses. The late Chancellor Daguesseau was also an excellent player, to whom neither Mr. de Légal nor

Philidor could have given the pawn and move. By all accounts the best player this country (England) has produced, was the late Sir Abraham Jansen, who used to play on even terms with Philidor, and to whom he could not give more than the pawn for the move; an advantage which amounts to little more than the first move.

I have the honour to be, with the highest regard,

Dear Sir.

Your most faithful.

humble fervant,

Dover freet, March 19, 1787.

Ct. DE BRUHL.

Count de Brû'il presents his compliments to Mr. Norris, and begs leave to transmit to him the inclosed Differtation of Mr. D. Barrington, for the use of the Society, to whom he has reason to hope it will prove a very valuable acquisition, from the many curious and interesting notices which it contains concerning the origin and progress of a game, which would deserve the name of a science, if its utility was not limited to those who understand it.

Printer could have given the pawn and prove. He all accounts too last player this country (Englacia) has good act, was it is

An Historical Disquisition on the Game of Ches; addressed to Count de Bruhl, F. A. S. By the Hon. Daines Barrington.

Read May 10, 1787.

DEAR SIR,

A S you are so distinguished a player at Chess, what I have lately gleaned with regard to the introduction of this most capital game into Europe cannot but be interesting to you.

Most of the treatises written on this subject have rather been calculated to teach the manner in which this game should be played, than to illustrate its antiquities.

From these, however, I must except Hyde in his most excellent History of Eastern Games [a], in which there is much Oriental, as well as other learning.

It feems to be generally agreed that we derive Chefs from Asia, and most writers have supposed from Persia [b]; but I cannot give up the claim of the Chinese as inventors, though Hyde inclines against it, and chiesty because they have some

[a] There is besides a long article on this subject in Menage's Dictionary, and a Dissertation of M. Freret's in the Vth vol. of the Memoirs of the Academy of Inscriptions; I do not by this mean that they are the only treatises upon chess.

[6] From the names of fome of the pieces.

additional

additional pieces, which differ from ours, both in their form and powers [c]. This fingle circumstance, however, by no means appears conclusive to me, because in all countries where any game hath been of long continuance, the players will make innovations, though it remains the same in substance, as I shall be able to prove happened in Italy, where Archefeacchiere, or Arch-chefs [d, was introduced. Du Halde, however, cites a Chinese treatise, by which it appears, that it is the favourite game of that country, and as fuch is fometimes depicted upon Chinese paper. In Thibet also Chess is much in vogue, as it is throughout Bengal and Indostan, with a native of which I have myself played, nor do the moves or rules differ materially from our own. It is therefore highly probable, that Thibet and Indostan received Chess from the long [e] civilised empire of China, rather than from Persia, which it might reach in its progress westward through Indostan.

If this most interesting game was known in Persia, whilst Alexander, or his successors, continued there, they would undoubtedly have introduced it into Greece, and its name would certainly have been delivered down to us, together with the pieces and their moves.

This now brings me to confider the Grecian claim to the invention, which some learned writers [f] have carried back even

<sup>[</sup>c] Hyde procured this information from a Chinese of Nankin, named Foking, in which part of China probably these alterations had been lately introduced.

<sup>[</sup>d] The board at Arch-Chess had 100 squares, instead of 64.—See Fr. Piacenza. Torino 1683, 4to.

<sup>[</sup>e] I may add, continuing to be civilifed through fuch a fuccession of cen-

<sup>[</sup>f] Amongst these, Vossius, Salmasius, and P. Sirmond.

to the fiege of Troy, attributing it to Palamedes. Most of the passages relied upon in proof of this opinion, are to be found in that amazing Treasure of Greek Literature, Henry Stephens's Thesaurus, article \$\Pi\sigma\cop\_6\circ\c

Having examined all these passages, I may venture to say that none of them relate to Chess, because there is not the most distant allusion to the putting the Enemy's King in such a situation that he cannot be extricated, which is the great object of

each player.

But as so many learned writers have-laboured this point, it would perhaps be improper to rest the whole resultation upon the above mentioned observation, and I shall therefore consider some of the principal citations from which it is inserred, that Chess was known to the Greeks and Romans.

The first of these is a line in the sirst book of the Odyssey, where it is said that Penelope's suitors thus amused themselves [b] before the gates of Ulysses's palace. It is clear, however, from this passage, that it only proves the suitors played at some game with pebbles [werders], but what that game was we are totally uninformed. As it took place, however, in the open air, it is much more likely that it resembled a very common game at every school, called Hop-sect, than the sedentary amusement of chess. Unfortunately for the former supposition, Atheneus in his sirst book gives us from a native of Ithaca (whose name was Cteson) a very particular account of the method of playing the game of werself to be Penelope's suitors, which differs most materially from Chess, as the pieces were in number 108, instead of 32. The principal piece moreover (named

<sup>[8]</sup> Sometimes written Herlor, and the game Herlina.

<sup>[</sup>b] Петоство пропарстве горано Воргот верпот.

Penelope) was placed in the vacant space between the two sets, whilst each player endeavoured to strike Penelope twice, in which if he succeeded, he was supposed to have better pretentions than the other suitors.

Though Chess is supposed to have been known thus early in Ithaca, yet the invention of this ingenious game hath been commonly attributed to Palamedes.

This Greek lived during the Trojan War, and was so renowned for his sagacity, that almost every early discovery was ascribed to him, insomuch that he hath been celebrated for that most notable of all inventions, viz. The eating three meals a day [i].

The chief authority, however, for his being the inventor of Chefs, is the following line from Sophocles,

Εφευρε [fc. Palamedes,] ωεσσοις, κυδοις τε, τερπνον αργιας απος [k].

Agreeable, however, to the observation before made upon the passage, from the first book of the Odyssey, nothing more can be inferred from this line, than that he invented some game which was played with pebbles [wereous].

We find therefore that the whole of Palamedes's claim refts upon what the game of warfine (or pebbles) was, as played by the Greeks; there being little the from any author whom I have happened to onfult to guide us, any more than the mere name.

<sup>[</sup>i] διιπια θ'αιρεισθαι τρια. Lloyd's Poetical Dictionary, article Palamedes; where he refers to a tragedy of Æschylus for this passage.

<sup>[4]</sup> By this line the invention of dice is also attributed to Palamedes, which ingenious discovery, it is much wished for the benefit of society, that he had referved to himself.

I think, however, that I can discover why the term of wer lead in Greek hath to often been rendered Chefs, whilft the origin of the game is carried fo far back as the time of Palamedes.

The Grecian Judges of the early times feem to have been very corrupt, in fo much that Hefiod brands them with the name of dispopulos, or devourers of bribes; but Palamedes, having contrived the method of voting by ballot [1], in some measure prevented this most shameful practice, whilst the decision for or against the criminal was given by putting into an urn white or black pebbles !

Mos erat huic populo, niveis atrisque lapillis, His damnare reos, illis absolvere culpâ. Ovid. Met. l. xv.

And again:

et omnis Calculus immitem demittitur ater in urnam.

Now the game of werfles [m] being played with white and black pebbles, and in process of time the original proposer of obliging the judges to pass sentence by ballot being forgot, Palamedes became inventor of the game werlea, because it was played with white and black pebbles, which were also used by the judges in giving their decisions.

Having gone through the most material authorities which are to be found in the Greek writers, and having endeavoured

[1] Lloyd, Dict. Poet. Art. Palamedes.

<sup>[</sup>m] Herodotus ascribes the invention of most games to the Lydians amongst which he enumerates as payates together with dice and balls. But the cause of these inventions is highly ridiculous. Lydia had been visited by a famine, and the inhabitants abstained from eating every other day for 18 years, whilst they were thus amused .- Clio. 

to shew that these passages cannot relate to Chess, I shall now consider some of the principal authorities in Latin, which are relied upon for the same purpose.

The game called weffer in Greek was by the Romans termed Calculi [n], or Latrunculi [o], and we have fortunately such a description by Ovid how it was played, that no person who is acquainted with the moves even at Chess, can read it with attention, and conceive that it is alluded to.

Cautaque non stulté latronum prælia ludat

Unus cum gemino calculus hoste perit.

Bellatorque suo prensus sine compare bellat

Æmulus, & cæptum sæpe recurrit iter.

Reticuloque pilæ læves funduntur aperto,

Nec niss quam tolles, ulla movenda pila est.

Est genus in totidem tenui ratione redactum

Scriptula; quot menses lubricus annus habet.

Parva tabella capit, ternos utrinque lapillos

In quâ vicisse est, continuasse suos.

Ovid. Am. 1. iii. 357-366.

I must confess that, after this very particular description, I do not thoroughly comprehend how this Roman game was played, but negatively it cannot be Chess.

Ovid in the first place gives it as his general advice to the Roman ladies, that they should play well at Calculi or Latrunculi:

Cautaque non fulte latronum prælia ludat.

[n] Hie milti bis feno numeratur teffera puncto,

Calculus hie gemino discolor hoste perit.

MARTIAL, 1. xiv.

Which two lines are written upon a present of a board for that game.

[0] Probably fo styled from the unexpected attacks which the players made on each other.

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Now though ladies are undoubtedly capable of being great adepts at Chefs, yet I think the Roman poet would not particularly recommend as an amusement to his female disciples, a game which requires so much consideration, and very intense attention.

But, not to rely upon this observation, though it seems to deferve some weight, the second line, which makes it necessary for two pieces being employed in taking one, is not applicable to Ches:

Unus cum gemino discolor hoste perit.

By the 5th line again:

" Reticuloque pilæ læves fundantur aperto,"

it should seem that all the peices were uniform, and that they were thrown as dice are out of a box.

By the 7th and 8th line the squares or divisions were but 12; at least so I understand scriptula:

- " Est genus in totidem tenui ratione reductum,
- " Scriptula, quot menses lubricus annus habet.

And lastly, by the ninth line the number of the pieces (or pebbles) were only 6, instead of 32:

" Parva tabella capit ternos utrinque lapillos."

The next authority produced by those who suppose that Chess was known to the Romans, is that of a poem sometimes ascibbed to Lucan; but that it was really written by any of the ancients seems rather uncertain, as Maittaire hath not given it a place in his "Corpus Poetarum Latinorum." Be this, however, as it may, I shall cite the lines at length, as it is not to be found

found in every library, and must be allowed to contain stronger allusions to what may be deemed Chess, than any of the other passages which have been quoted [p]:

- " Te si forte juvat studiorum pondere fessum
- " Non languere tamen, lususque movere per artem;
- " Callidiore modo tabula variatur aperta
- " Calculus, & vitreo peraguntur milite bella,
- " Ut niveus nigros, nunc & niger alliget albos.
- " Sed tibi quis non terga dedit, quis te duce cessit
- " Calculus, aut quis non periturus perdidit hostem?
- " Mille modis acies tua dimicat, ille petentem
- " Dum fugit, ipfe rapit, longo venit ille recessiu
- "Qui stetit in speculis, hic se committere rixæ
- " Audet, & in prædam venientem decipit hostem.
- " Ancipites subit ille moras, similisque ligato
- "Obligat ille duos, hic ad majora movetur,
- " Ut citus & fracla prorumpat in agmina mandra.
- " Interea fectis quamvis acerrima furgunt
- " Prælia militibus, plena tamen ipie phalange
- " Aut etiam pauco spoliata milite vincis,
- " Et tibi captivâ resonat manus utraque turbâ."

Now it is admitted that these lines allude to some game of skill, which so far agrees with that of Chess; but it seems almost impossible that he who means to describe this game introducing so many particulars, should make no distinction either between the pieces or their moves, nor take notice of the great objects of Chess antagonists, to block up the adversary's King [q],

<sup>[ ]</sup> The Poem is addressed to Calpurnius Pifo.

<sup>[</sup>q As a proof of this, no one can read two lines of Vida's famous Poem on Chess, which are not descriptive of some event peculiar to that game.

fo that he hath no retreat. On the contrary the last line makes the conclusion of the game to consist merely in the greater number of pieces which are taken:

" Et tibi captiva resonat manus utraque turba [r]."

Having thus endeavoured to shew that Chess was neither known to the Greeks or Romans, I shall now descend to more modern authorities, which undoubtedly relate to Chess, and can mean no other game whatsoever.

The first mention which I have happened to meet with of a game that bears any affinity to Scacebia or Chess, is that in Du Fresne's "Glossarium Mediæ & Insimæ Græcitatis," under the article Zaspikion, where he cites a passage alluding to it from Anna Commena's 12th Book of her Alexias, as well as others from the Byzantine Historians. It is there stated that the Persians call it  $\Sigma \alpha n | \rho \alpha | \beta$ , whilst the Constantinopolitan name is  $\Sigma \kappa \alpha \kappa c \nu$ .

One of these authorities supposes that Chess was received from Assyria, which probably may be true, but it should seem that the Assyrians had learnt it from countries more to the Eastward, as Sir Elijah Impey informs me that the board is still called Satringe [s] in Bengal, which term also signifies a carpet, from its being generally chequered as the Chess Board is.

As I shall however dwell rather more hereafter upon the claims of the more Eastern parts of Asia to the invention of Chess, I shall now only observe from some of these passages [1],

[r] I will add that the first line,

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Te fi forte juvat fludiorum pondere feffum, Non languere tamen, &c.

cannot probably relate to chefs, which can scarcely be considered as a recreation, whilst it requires so much consideration and attention.

[1] In Arabic it is termed Shatvangj.—See Hyde de Ludis Orient.

[1] For these at length, see Du Fresne, Art. Zalpixio.

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that it was rather a common game at Constantinople in the twelfth century, when Anna Comnena sourished; and this I conceive will account for its introduction into Europe.

In the first crusades, before the destruction of the Eastern empire, the adventurers often made a stay at Constantinople (the Emperors of which were generally friendly to the Christian cause); and thus probably became acquainted with this bewitching game; which they introduced on their return to their respective countries.

With regard to the European nations, who thus had this opportunity of instructing themselves in Chess, there seems to be little doubt that it was first known to the Italians from their greater vicinity to Constantinople, as well as their early trade with the Eastern ports of the Mediterranean. We therefore find by Boccace [u] (who lived in the 14th century) that it was a most common amusement at Florence, and that there was a celebrated player who (like Phillidor) could beat two antagonists, without seeing either of the chess-boards [x].

If other proofs were wanting, the term of Gambet at Chefs, which hath been introduced (it is believed) into most European languages, is clearly of Italian origin; for, "dare il gambet-

[u] "Chi andó dormire, e chi a ginocare con featchi, e chi a tavole.—
Decameron G. 6.

Again:
"Qui e bello e fresco stare, ed hacci come vedete, e tavolieri, e schacchieri."

Ibid C. -

[x] His name was Mangiolini, though I cannot now refer to my authority. A Saracen, called Buzecca, was also a distinguished player at Florence, and slou-rished before Mangiolini.

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" to [y]" fignifies to throw down your adversary in wrestling, by

placing your foot against his [2].

Chess being thus introduced, continued to be the favourite game throughout Europe, till it was dropt for cards, not by their superiority surely, but because inserior players at other games had a better chance of winning. Before cards indeed had thus banished Chess, it was in such vogue, that both the kings of Spain [a] and Portugal pensioned the great players, whilst they also staked considerable sums on the event of the game. We find therefore that three Italians set out from Naples for the court of Philip the Second [b], where there was a famous player, and by concealing their strength won very large sums.

This of course opened every one's eyes, and it being impossible to know the full force of your antagonist, no one would play at Chess for money, which therefore, like drafts [c], went

into difufe.

Italy however continued to produce the greatest proficients at this game till the middle of the last century; and therefore

[y] See the Crusca Dictionary, Art. Gambetto.

[z] The term of rook is also Italian, and often fignifies a castle:
"Sicura quafi rocca in alto monte." Dante, Purg.

[a] Phillip II. to whom may be added Sebastian, King of Portugal, and many other distinguished persons of those times. Pietro Carrera on Chess, 1617.

[b] This is mentioned by Salvio who was a Doctor of Laws, and may be faid to have written the Memoirs of the most distinguished Chefs Players, in the fixteenth century. The name of the Spanish player above alluded to was Ruy Lopes. See Salvio on Chefs, Napoli, 4to. 1631. The Spaniards probabably learnt chefs, or at least became adepts, during their Italian wars, and more particularly from the Neapolitans.

[4] I do not know from what nation we have borrowed this term of drafts. That of dames is more intelligible, as the common pieces, by reaching the top

square of the antagonist, become queens.

Bayle,

Bayle, in his Historical Dictionary, hath given two articles to Boi of Syracuse [d], and Gioachino Greco [e] (commonly called the Colabrian) for their eminence at Chess.

Thus much with regard to Italy [f], from whence all Europe feems to have derived its knowledge of this game; and perhaps Spain may have the next claim, for having produced early players of eminence, from what I have already mentioned with regard to Philip the Second having so much encouraged those who were great adepts, and who resorted to his court at Madrid, where they were sure of meeting with a protector.

As I am not aware of any decifive proofs, which give priority to the other nations of Europe after Italy and Spain, I shall now endeavour to state what I have been able to glean in relation to the introduction of chess into this island. And here I

[d] His christian name was Paolo. He died at Naples in 1598, and his burial was attended by most of the nobility. See Pietro Carrera on Chefs. 1617, 4to. Boi was much regarded by Phillip II. and Urban VII. who is faid to have offered him a Bithoprick, but Boi would not take orders. See Ibid. and also Salvio, who beat Boi at Naples, but when he was past 70.

[e] Probably thence born in the Morea, but early transplanted to Calabria. Though originally very poor, he won 50,000 ducats at Paris, by playing at chess. From Paris he went to England, where he was nearly murdered, and lost most of his effects: from thence to India, where he died, and left his substance to the Jesuits.

[f] They who may wish to see more anecdotes with regard to the chess players of the 16th century may consult the Italian writers before cited, and more particularly the Memoirs of Putti, who was termed the Cavalier Errante, or, Chess Knight Errant. His real name was Leonardo da Cutti. When he was very young he was beat by a Spaniard (Rui Lopes) who afterwards returned to his own country.—In the mean time Putti shut himself up for two years, that he might become a greater proficient, after which he pursued Lopes to Madrid, and beat him. See also Mr. Twisse's curious Anecdotes of Chess, published since this Differtation was laid before the Society of Antiquaries.

cannot but diffent from Hyde's most learned treatise on this game, when he seems to suppose it known in England about the time of the Conquest, from the Court of Exchequer having been then first established. Now true it is that the Barons of the Exchequer sit with a table before them, which is covered with a chequered cloth; but the use of this cloth is, for settling the accounts to be passed before this court, the ceremony of which I have once seen, the sums being computed upon the squares; and if the computation made by one officer is right, another declares it to be a good sum [g]. It is possible that the checquer being so common a sign for a public house, may have formerly been for the same reason of charging the reckning; and it is remarkable that the same sign was used at antient Pompeii, as appears by the engravings which are inserted in the fourth volume of the Archæologia [b].

It is possible however that Chess might be known in England in the next century, after the first crusade had taken place; but I should rather suppose, during the 13th century, upon the return of Edward the First from the Holy-Land, where he continued so long, and was attended by so many English. The Turks, who never change their habits, are still great players at this game, which suits so well both their sedentary disposition

<sup>[</sup>g] I am just informed that this ancient method of accounting hath been disused about two years ago. It took place in Easter Term, when the expences of the King's Houshold were passed. One officer called out, "What have you "there?" To which another answered (having piled half-pence and farthings on the square, in a regular progression), "such a sum." If this agreed with the supposed one by the first officer, he then pronounced it a good sum. Thus the account was understood by those who were present, though they could not write. Hence perhaps to check an account.

<sup>[</sup>b] See Pl. XIV. p. 170.

and love of taciturnity. Many of these were often prisoners in the Christian camp, as were also the Christians to the Saracens, so that there were great opportunities of instruction during either of their confinements.

The first mention which I have met with of Chess being known in England, is in a MS of Simon Aylward said by Hyde to be in the library of Magdalen College. The same learned writer cites another MS, and of Lydgate, where are the following lines.

- " Was of a Fers [i] fo fortunate,
- " Into a corner drive and maat."

which are very intelligible if we suppose that the preceding line relates to the piece called the King, and they will then have the following meaning, viz.

"The King was by a fortunate Queen (of the adversary) driven into a corner of the Chess-Board, and Check-mated," which of course concludes the game.

Our ancestors certainly played much at Chess before the general introduction of cards, as no sewer than twenty-six English families have emblazoned Chess-Boards and Chess-Rooks [k] in their arms [/], and it therefore must have been considered as a valuable accomplishment. Hyde moreover states, that Chess was much played at both in Wales and Ireland, and

<sup>[</sup>i] Fers is faid to fignify, in the Persian language, General or Minister, and is applied to that peice at Chess, which we term the Queen.

<sup>[</sup>k] The Chefs-rook is now more commonly called the cafile: its form may be feen in books of Blafonry, which hath not the least similitude to a caftle. The no uncommon name of Rook may possibly be derived from hence, as also the terms of being rook'd at play.

<sup>[1]</sup> See Edmondson's Heraldry.

that in the latter, estates had depended upon the event of a

game.

I must own however that I have some doubts with regard to these sacts, as neither of these countries were scarcely civilized till the latter end of the reign of Henry the Eighth. As for Wales, I doubt much whether they have a term for the game in their own language, which probably is true likewise in regard to the Irish.

In 1474 Caxton published his book, intituled, The Game at Chess [m], which he dedicates to the duke of Clarence, and states to be a translation from the French: it therefore can be little doubted but that this game was not uncommon during the reign of Edward the Fourth. To this I may add, that it appears by Sir John Fenn's late curious publication, that it was an amusement in most houses of rank in the time of Richard the Third, where it is said, "The lady Morley had no harpinges or lutinges during Christmass; but playing at Tables and Chess [n]."

Chess being therefore not an uncommon game during the reign of Edward the Fourth, of course continued to be played by our ancestors, till cards became the more general amusement. Sir Walter Raleigh is said by Hyde to have boasted that he could make the contest last as long as he pleased, from which affertion however I should infer that he was no great adept, as most Chess matches are decided in an hour, and perhaps never exceed two, unless the players take a nap between the moves. Such affertions however have deterred many from attempting to

<sup>[</sup>m] Caxton herein attributes the invention of Chess to Philometer the Philosopher for the instruction of a wicked King.

<sup>[</sup>n] Fenn's Letters, vol. II. p. 331. This letter is from Mrs. Pafton to her hufband.

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learn the game. It is alluded to likewife as being an amusement in the family of the ninth Earl of Northumberland, by a curious manuscript, with the perusal of which you have lately indulged me.

We find the following presumptive proof that Queen Elizabeth was a player at Chess. There had been a tilting-match before her Majesty, in which Sir Charles Blount (afterwards Lord Montjoy) distinguished himself so greatly, that the Queen sent him the next morning a Chess-queen of gold, which was at the same time highly enamelled. It can scarcely be conceived that the Queen should have had such a Chess-piece in her cabinet, unless the sometime played at that game [o].

James the First is supposed to have been a player at Ches; but in his Eixen Beautium advises his son against it, "because it is over-wise;" which, like most parental instruction, seems to have been little attended to, from the magnificent bag and elegant set of Chessmen, which I had the honour of lately exhibiting to the Society of Antiquaries, and which belonged to Charles the First [p]; they are now in the possession of Lord Barrington.

In the present century, Stamma who was a native of Aleppo, and resided some time in England as Translator of Oriental dispatches to our court, published some select games at Chess, together with a few instructions [q], and after him Hoyle taught how to open the game, at a crown per lesson.

<sup>[0]</sup> See a publication entituled, The Phænix, 2 vols. 8vo. 1707. The paper is from Sir Robert Naunton, who was Secretary to James I.

<sup>[</sup>p] In this reign Saule published instructions for playing at Chess, which he dedicates to the Countess of Bedford, who therefore was probably a proficient at this game.

<sup>[</sup>q] The first edition was printed at Paris.

Having thus brought down to the present times such anecdotes as I have happened to stumble upon with regard to Chessplaying in England, I shall now pass over to France, where there teem to be still earlier, but faint traces of the game having been known at least, but how generally is not perhaps so clear.

The historian Carte [r] gives us the following account of a Chess-match between Henry the First, before his accession to the throne of England, and Lewis le Gros son to Philip of France. This took place at Philip's court, and in the year 1087. Lewis lost several games to Henry, as also a good deal of money; which irritated him so much, that he threw the Chessmen at Henry's head. This was returned by Henry's striking Lewis with the board, in such a manner that he was laid bleeding on the floor, and Henry would have killed his antagonist, if his cider brother Robert had not interposed. This is undoubtedly a very early instance of Chess being known in France; but it is much to be wished that Carte had stated the term used in the Norman Chronicle to which he refers, and which he hath translated Chess, as drasts is very ancient, bears a considerable affinity to Chess, and equally requires a chequered board.

The next proof of an early knowledge of this game in France is faid to be in John of Salisbury's book de Nugis Curialium, where however I have not been able to find it. When king John of France was made prisoner at the battle of Poictiers, he is reported to have said to his captor, "Do not you know, that at Chess a king is never taken?" which undoubtedly must re-

fer to Chess as it is played at present.

In the reign of Charles the Fifth of France, Froisart mentions, that the King played at this game with the duke of Bur-

[ · ] Vol. I. p. 445.

gundy,

gundy, whilst they were for some time together at Toulouse. Chefs moreover is alluded to in the Romant de la Rose, and many of the French families bear a Chefs-rook in their arms. It was certainly much played in the fame kingdom during the fixteenth century; as Pasquier [s] furnishes the following account of an inhabitant of Lyons, who would give up all his capital pieces, and beat an able adversary, provided he was permitted to have two moves for each of his pawns [t]. He would also engage to give mate with a particular pawn, or oblige his adversary to mate

himself, with a piece that he should pitch upon.

In the feventeenth century the treatife intituled The Calabrian was translated from the Italian into French, and might have contributed to a few players having refumed this game, which (as with us) was now supplanted by the more general amusement of cards. In the present times Philidor (born at Dreux) is clearly the most distinguished champion, in so much that confiderable fubfcriptions have been made to bring him over to England, from curiofity chiefly to fee his great superiority. It is well known that he can play two games against able adversaries, and generally beat them, without feeing either of the boards. This is certainly a most amazing effort; but Villani (in his Chronicle of Florence) gives us a fimilar instance in the fourteenth century, as does another Italian writer of a Saracen who flourished about the same time [u]. Great chess players indeed must necessarily carry in their head several moves which

[1] Pasquier's Recherches de la France, L. iv. ch. 31.

<sup>[1]</sup> This term of pawn is probably taken from the Spanish word Peen, which fignifies a foot fo'dier.

<sup>[</sup>u] His name was Buzzeca.

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are probably to enfue, both on their own part and that of their adversary; and he who like Philidor can do this throughout the whole game, even with a single antagonist, must commonly be the victor. To this account relative to Chesplaying in France, it must be added, that Mons. Freret [x] informs us that there are several MSS on this subject in the French King's library.

As for Germany, I have not yet been able to pick up any particulars with regard to Chefs in that very extensive empire, except that a Selenus Duke of Brunswick wrote a treatise on

that subject, and named one of his towns from it [y].

In Muscovy it is said to be in great vogue amongst the shopkeepers [2]; and it is highly probable that they received it, together with their profession of saith, from the Eastern empire, whilst the Greek Sovereigns resided in Constantinople.

Chefs moreover is supposed to be alluded to in some verses which are inserted in the ancient Northern Poem of Hervarar Saga; but the passage alluded to may relate to other games which are played upon a checquered board. Hyde indeed informs us that it is not unknown even in Iceland, and it certainly would be a very convenient game for filling up their very long nights during the winter [a].

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[x] Vol. V. of Memoirs of the Academy of Inscriptions.

[z] Cox's Travels -See also Olearius.

<sup>[</sup>y] The name of the town is Rockflet, which had for its arms a Chefi-rook, and it was obliged to give to every new Bishop a Silver-Chess-Board with filver men, one set of which was gilt. The Chess-rook hath not the least affinity to the bird we so call. Its figure in Blasonry may be seen in Heraldical Treatises.

<sup>[</sup>a] I am informed by Mr. Professor Thorkelin, who is by birth an Icelander, that Chess (called Stak) continues to be an amusement in that island, and by abler players

Having dwelt so much upon the countries from whence Chess hath been originally introduced, or where the game hath been in considerable vogue, I shall conclude this rather long differtation by some observations upon the names of the pieces, in many different languages, of which Hyde hath given a copious account.

If I am right in my conjecture, that the game was originally Chinese, from whence it was transferred to Thibet, Bengal, Indostan, and Persia, it is highly probable that the pieces did not differ materially in these several countries, either in name or figure. When however the Turks had learned it from the more Eastern inhabitants of Asia, they of course made the pieces formless, as they understand the second commandment in its most rigid and literal sense. The Greeks and Crusaders on the contrary having become adepts at the game from their long continuance in Palestine, conceived themselves at liberty to give what form and name they pleafed to the pieces, which confequently differ often in the feveral parts of Europe where Chefs hath been introduced. It was natural therefore that their principal piece should be a King, both in form and name, and this feems to have obtained also in the more Eastern parts of Asia [b].-In most of these governments however the Kings are rather indolent monarchs, and confequently this piece fearcely moves at all, but is merely to be defended from attacks [c]. The Emperor

than are to be found in Copenhagen.—He also informs me that allusions to this game are to be found in a very copious collection of Icelandic MSS. several of which will be published by the muniscence of the King of Denmark.—The character of these MSS. is the Anglo-Saxon.

[b] Where this piece is termed Schach, or Emperor.

[c] It is admitted, however, that fometimes near the conclusion of the game,

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peror himfelf being thus indolent, necessarily requires a Minister or General who can protect his mafter by vigorous and extensive motions, against distant insults, in the most remote parts of the board. The peice therefore of the greatest powers was by the Perfians filed Pherz, or General [d]. Chefs hath universally been confidered as an engagement between two armies, and if the piece of the greatest importance is termed the General, this allusion is properly carried on. When the game however was introduced into Europe, the Christians did not trouble themfelves about the Afiatic names for the peices, and ftyled the Pherz (or General) Queen [e], probably because she is placed next to the King, as the General was amongst the Asiatics; but this does not keep up so properly the idea of a military conflict, as when the Pherz (or General) is placed in the fame situation. Another impropriety arises from the Pawn's becoming a Queen, when he hath reached the last square of the adversary's camp; as it is a fuitable reward to the Pawn (or foot foldier) to make him a General, if he penetrates fo far through the enemy's troops, but certainly no prowefs on his part can entitle him to be transformed into a Queen.

his Majesty is obliged to be rather more active, but even then from his great dignity, he can only move a single step. The instance of the King's moving two steps (when he castles) can take place only once during the game.

[d] Sometimes Vizir or Minister.

[e] Hyde indeed mentions a jett of Chefs-men, preserved at St. Denys, which belonged to Charlemagne, and sour of which were Kings and Queens. That these pieces cannot be so ancient seems to be sufficiently evident, both from the set being preserved entire for near ten centuries, and from the principal pieces having Arabic characters on their back with the name of the maker. If Charlemagne was a player at Chess, he would have probably employed an artist of his own dominions.

The next piece in power to the Pherz, or Queen, is that which we call fometimes the Rook, but more commonly The Gafile. I conceive this term to be derived from the Italians, who I have endeavoured to prove were the first Europeans that played at Chess; as rocca in that language not only fignifies a Rock but a Fortress, which in those times was generally placed on such an eminence [f]:

" Sicura quasi rocca in alto monte."

Dante in Purg.

Hence our term at Chefs, "The King cafeles," or puts himself in a state of security, by exchanging, in some measure, places with the castle, which then becomes more exposed to the enemy.

The name of the only remaining peice that feems to want fome explanation is that which we call the Bifloop; and which the French term the Fou or Fool. The reason of this last appellation feems to be, that as this peice stands on the sides of the King and Queen, some wag of the times, from this, styled it The Fool, because anciently royal personages were commonly thus attended, from want of other means of amusing themselves [g].

As for the term of Bishop, it is not so easily accounted for, as our Kings or Queens have never had any such constant attendants. When we first introduced this appellation is not perhaps to be settled with any certainty, though we know that in Caxton's time this peice was stilled the Elphyn. It should seem

<sup>[</sup>f] The term of being mated feems also to be derived from the Italian Ammozzate or killed.

<sup>[</sup>g] The King's Fool was properly the King's Butt, who, being laughed at and ridiculed by his Majesty, was permitted to cut his jokes on the courtiers.

therefore that the change of name took place after the Reformation. If the form indeed of the Chefs-pieces which belonged to Charles I. and which I had the honour of exhibiting to the Society, is recollected, the top of this piece formewhat refembles a bishop's mitre [b].

If you happen, Sir, to think that what I have stated in this long letter may deserve any attention in Somerset-Place, I will beg you to transmit it to the Secretary; and if you do not peruse it with too friendly an eye, the opinion of so great a player at this most capital game cannot but carry with it the proper weight. You have indeed another title to the address of this Differtation, as you surnished me with several scarce Italian treatises, which I could not otherwise have procured, and which have thrown much light upon the investigation.

I am, SIR,
With great regard,
Your most faithful,
Humble fervant,

### DAINES BARRINGTON.

[b] The Pawns in Caxton's time were of different figures, and not all uniform as at prefent. The Pawn before the Queen (for example) reprefents the Queen's Spicer or Apothecary. See Caxton's Book on Chefs.

IV. A Letter from the Rev. John Bowle, F. A.S. on the Canonization of St. Osmund, with some Observations concerning the Episcopus Puerorum, addressed to the Bishop of Salisbury.

Read June 28, 1787.

MY LORD,

HAVE for some time past formed to myself an opinion I that among the several prelates in the see of Salisbury, no one from the foundation of the church was more active and vigilant than your noble predecessor Richard Beauchamp, who was translated thither in August 1450. An early undertaking of his was the canonization of St. Osmund. It appears that two canons of the church, Nicholas Upton, and Simon Houchins. were fent to Pope Nicholas V. to Rome, where they arrived the 27th of June, 1450. Upon this business Upton returned the following year, being recalled by the Dean and Chapter in May, and the whole devolved upon Houchins. A work of this kind was not to be finished hastily: length of time and much money were effentially necessary. The latter appears from Houchins's Letters, which were collected into a volume, fo damaged by damp, that Sir Edward Byshe could with difficulty make out the two paragraphs he has published from them in the the preface to his edition of "Upton de re militari [a]." The former, from a true state of the matter. It took up near three years in the papacy of the abovementioned pontiff, who died March 14, 1455, and was not finally adjusted till his fuccessor Calixtus III. Sept 5, 1456, promulged his decree for that purpofe. The canonization was afterwards on the Ist day of the following year, as appears from the "Portiforium ad usum Sarisburiensis ecclesiæ pars estivalis, Lond. 1556, 4to. fig. D. d. ii. Within this year as it appears in the office in translatione sancti Osmundi, July 15, the translation of his body was completed, principally at the expence of the bishop, " Adjunctis sibi decano & fratribus paratissimis ejustem loci canonicis. quorum impensis, devotione, ac industria elaboratum est." At this festival were present Archbishop Bourchier, primas totius provinciae, prafules ac principes regni, with an affonishing number of the lower people. A new faint probably attracted much attention. Robert lord Hungerford by his testament bearing date the 22d of April, 1459, 37 H. VI. [b], bequeathed his body to be buried before the altar of St. Ofmund, in the cathedral church of Salisbury, and dying May 18, 1460, was buried there.

I have mentioned the name of the above archbishop, as it adds strength to another conjecture, that the present parish church of St. Thomas was erected in these times; the arms of Bourchier and the see of Canterbury being still entire on a beam in the North aisle just over the door. The Catenarian arches

[a] "And thus bleffed be God we be a werke, wherfor now it is nede that money be hadde in haft, by God hit hath cost many or this.

[b] Dugd. Ear. II. 206.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Wherefor our matter hath be almost forget, and we have bite thayer gaping after your lettres without comfort of you, or of Tarentyne. By God I trowe that money had be in the bank our matter had be speed or this."

In the windows, and betwixt the pillars, seem to evince as much. That there was a former in the same spot, erected soon after the building of the cathedral, to which it served as a chapel of ease is certain. I have examined the probate of the will of Roger de Telyng, Pistor, xx Kalendas Augusti 1316, in which are these clauses:

"Imprimis, lego fummo altari ecclefie fancti Thome martiris Sar. vis. et fabrice ejusdem ecclese iiis. Lego corpus meum fepeliendum in cemiterio ejustem ecclesie." Whether this was a flight or other temporary building, or whether the increase of the inhabitants made a larger necessary, certain it is from fimilar authority that at the close of this fame century, Thomas de Boiton, bowyer, in his will left the fum of 20 marks due to him from a John Gilberd, " nove fabrice australis ecclesie fancti Thome Sar." This will is dated " in festo Sci Jacobi Apostoli, Anno Dom. 1400," If this church underwent a fecond dedication, as was customary, and was practifed in the cathedral in 1258, the particulars are probably mentioned in bishop Beauchamp's registers, where doubtless every thing respecting the business of the transaction must be met with. If this should be wanting, the account of the removal of Becket's bones from this place of interment in the church of Canterbury, in order to their being placed in their shrine, which must have been the case here, will in some measure supply this defect and strengthen my idea. If, which is to be wished for, it is to be found, it will afford some information as to the sameness or change of customs in the church in the course of three centuries.

"Than how his holy translacyon was fulfylled now shall ye here. The reverend fader in God Steven Archbyshop of Canterbury, Rychard Byshop of Salesbury, Walter the pryor of the Vol. IX.

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fame place with the covent with spiritual fongs and devout ympnes, whan it was nyght went to the fepulchre of this holy martyr, and all that nyght and day of his translacion they perfevered in prayers and fastynge, and after midnyght 4 preestes elected and chosen thereto, approchyng to his body, toke the holy heed with grete devocyon and reverence, and unto them all offered it for to kyffe. Than the Archbyshop and all the others made grete honour to it and toke all the relickes of the precious body, and layd them in a chefte, and sherte it fast with yron lockes, and fet it in a place for to be kepte unto the daye that the translacyon sholde be solemnysed. The daye then of this holy translacyon beynge comen there were present a grete innumerable multitude of people, as well of riche as of poore. There was Pandulph a legate of the holy fader the Pope, and 2 archbyshops of Fraunce of Reyns and Arensis, with many other byshops and abbottes, and also kynge Henry the Thyrde. with erles and barons, whiche kynge took the chefte upon : his sholdres, and with the other prelates and lordes brought it with grete joye and honour unto the place where it is now worshipped, and was layd in a fayre and moche riche shryne, at whose holy translacyon were shewed by the merytes of this holy faynte Thomas many miracles."

This happened in 1221. Though this matter is perhaps no where to be found but in the Golden Legend; yet, the miracles excepted, it feems intitled in all other respects to be regarded as historically true. The body of St. Osmund was brought hither with two other bishops, Roger and Joceline, at the feast of Trinity in 1226. It is to be presumed then this translation can mean nothing more than the taking up the bones from the grave, and placeing them in a shrine near the altar. The office

fays, D. d. iiii. "Hodie apertis visceribus terra protulit confesforem, hodie Osmundum tanquam mundo iterum exortum gaudemus; hodie capsam reliquiarum ejus devotis gressibus frequentamus."

Singular instances of general custom are apt to produce furprise in the discovery. This seems to have been the case with Mr. Gregory in his account of the Episcopus Puerorum. This institution was neither peculiar to this church or kingdom. It appears from the Northumberland houshold book, that they had a Barne Bishop at Beverley, and another at York. William de Yorke, the next but one in succession to bishop Poore, was provost of the former place, and most likely introduced it into the church at Salisbury. Bishop Poore according to Leland was the sounder of the Hospital of St. Nicholas, to which bishop Bridport dedicated the soundation of the college de Vallibus. From these instances the 13th century may be said to be the æra of the devotion paid to him.

In Germany in 1274, at the counsel at Saltzburg, the "ludi noxii quos vulgaris eloquentia Episcopatus Pucrorum appellat," were prohibited as having produced great enormities [c].

In Spain antiently in cathedral churches in memory of the election of St. Nicholas, bishop of Myra, a chorister being placed with solemnity in the midst of the choir upon a scassfold, there descended from the vaulting of the ceiling a cloud, which stopping midway opened. Two angels within it carried the mitre, and descended just so low as to place it on his head, ascending immediately in the same order in which they came down. This came to be an occasion of some irregularities; for till the day of the Innocents, he had a certain jurisdiction, and his pre-

[c] Du Fresne, voc. Episcopus Puerorum.

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bendaries took secular offices, such as, alguasils, catchpoles, dog whippers, and sweepers. "This, thank God," says the author Covarruvias under the article Obsipillis, "has been totally done away." He is however contradicted in the great Dictionary, where it is afferted that it is still kept up, particularly at Corunna and other cities, and in some Universities and Colleges. The word is Latinised Puer episcopali habitu ornatus.

The whole is with the greatest deserence and respect submitted to his Lordship, by his dutiful and obedient servant,

Idmifton, April 22, 1786.

J. BOWLE.

V. Description of another Roman Pig of Lead found in Derbyshire, in a Letter from the Rev. Mr. Pegge to Robert Banks Hodgkinson, E/q.

Read Nov. 8, 1787.

DEAR SIR, Whittington, June 2, 1787.

MATLOCK moor appears to be fruitful in producing ancient blocks of Roman Lead, fince in April last a second [a] mass was there found, of which the description, as sent me by my good friend the rev. John Mason, curate of Elton, in Derbyshire, goes thus :

Length of the lettered fide.	171 inches
Breadth of the fame,	3
Length of the opposite side,	201
Breadth of this fide,	61
Thickness,	41
Weight 12 stone 5lb. or 173lb.	

The shape or figure of this mass corresponds very well with those that have been reported before, and the inscription occurs accordingly on the fhorter and narrower fide, which confe-

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<sup>[</sup>a] The former is now in the possession of Mr. Adam Wolley. See vol. VII. P 170.

quently we may call the uppermost [b]. It is much the heaviest of the Derbyshire pigs hitherto discovered [c], and consists, Mr. Mason says, of about 30 layers, as if smelted at so many different times [d].

The inscription is,

### TI. CL. TR. IVT. BR. EX. ARG.

and it is with the utmost diffidence that I venture on the interpretation of it. Indeed, I can absolutely make nothing of it, unless you will suppose IVT. to be a blunder for POT. which both coins and inscriptions require after TR. and means Tribunitia Potestas. This, however, is a bold charge against the cutter of the die, since, distrusting the copyist in this place, I wished Mr. Mason to inspect the block again, which he did, but still reported the letters to be IVT. If, nevertheless, you will admit a blunder in this place, Sir, the inscription may be thus filled up, with some plausibility, though not with certainty:

TIberius CLaudius TRibunitia POTestate BRitannicus. EX ARGento.

For the further explanation of which, I observe, first, that this is actually one of our oldest blocks, none prior to the reign of Claudius having yet been found.

2dly, That though a numeral, as I. II. III. &c. cafually follows the abbreviations TR. POT. yet there are many inflances among the coins of Claudius in Mezzabarba's edition of Occo,

<sup>[</sup>b] Of this inconvenient shape, see Archæologia, vol. V. p. 375.

<sup>[</sup>c] Mr. Nightingale's pig weighed 126lb. Archælogia, vol. V. p. 375. Mr. Walley's but 84lb. Archæologia vol. VII. p. 171. not the half of 173. Hints pig is 150lb. Gentleman's Magazine 1773, p. 61.

<sup>[</sup>d] Archæologia, vol. V. p. 377.

where, as here, no numerals appear. And for that reason it will be impossible to say in what year of this Emperor's reign our block was made; but probably, as we shall see immediately, not till after his 4th year, A D. 44.

3dly, BR. in the infeription, I am of opinion, ought to be interpreted Britannicus, for though no other of Claudius' monuments give him this title, yet he certainly well merited it, both by his own and his legates' exploits here [e]. Claudius went to Britain, A. D. 43, and the next year triumphed greatly there, after which our workmen might not improperly stile him Britannicus, though he never assumed that title in form. It is principally for this reason that I esteem our block fabricated after A. D. 41; and whereas John Leland mentions one of this Emperor's plates of lead made A. D. 49 [f], the block in question was probably made about that year.

4thly, After we have cut the Gordian Knot, by a daring emendation of IVT, as above, the greatest difficulty seems to he in the two final words, EX. ARG. Now, Sir, on that side of the Roman pig of lead, found on the verge of Broughton-brook, near Stockbridge, Hants, are the words EX ARGENT [g], of which, assuming and taking them to import the same as our EX. ARG. I shall recite the explanation given in the Magazine of 1783. 'The words EX ARGEN [b] may be explained by Mr. Pennant's observation [i], that the Romans sound such 'plenty of silver in the Spanish mines, that for some time they never thought it worth their labour to extract it from lead [k].

<sup>[4]</sup> See the case of Ners in Gent. Magazine 1783, p. 936

<sup>[/]</sup> Gent. Magazine, 1773, p. 62.

<sup>1-1</sup> Ibidem, 1783, p. 936.

<sup>[</sup>b] EX ARGENT, ibid, p. 936.

<sup>[</sup>i] Wales. vol. 1. p. 58.

<sup>[4]</sup> Straho, vol. 111. p, 221.

In late times they discovered an ore that contained filver, tin, and lead, and those three metals were melted from it. It appears that the first product was the tin, the second the filver, and what Pliny calls galæna, which was lest behind in the furnace, and seems to be the same with our litharge, and being melted again became lead, or, as this writer calls it, black lead, to distinguish it from white lead or tin [1]. The difficulty with me is this; we all know that filver, in some proportion, may be extracted from lead; but according to our premises, viz. the words of our inscription, must have been the predominant substance in the mineral, and lead extracted from it, and yet we never heard of any such filver mines in Derbyshire. This therefore must be lest to surther investigation; and I particularly recommend it to your consideration. I am, Sir,

Your most obedient fervant,

#### SAMUEL PEGGE.

P. S. If it be thought that Brittannicus above is not well founded, we may substitute Brittannia, as denoting the country

whence the commodity came.

\*\*\* Since the above letter was written, Mr. Molesworth, a worthy member of the Society, has purchased the very ancient block of Roman lead here in question, as he informs me, and by his great care and accuracy has discovered that the 7th letter is not an I but an L. We are obliged to this gentleman for the acuteness of his inspection, and are happy that this curious relique of antiquity has fallen into such good hands; but at the same time I must consess, that this literal emendation does not contribute in the least, in my idea, to explain this difficult inscription, but that it still continues to be as obscure and unintelligible as ever.

March 15, 1788.

[1] Gent. Magazine, 1783, p. 937.

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VI. An Account of the ancient Lordship of Galloway, from the earliest period to the Year 1455, when it was annexed to the Crown of Scotland. By Robert Riddell of Glenriddell, Esq.

Read Nov. 15, 1789.

ALLOWAY in the early period of the Scottish mo-I narchy confifted of that tract of country which now comprehends the shire and stewarty of Galloway, Nithsdale, Carrick, and the western part of Airshire, with part of Lanerickshire. This extensive tract, appears to have been totally independent, both of the Scottish and Pictish kingdoms, and was governed by Reguli, or Princes. Bede informs us that in the year 412, St. Ninian was fent to the South Picts, and to Whithorn in Galloway, and he calls Candida Cafa, or Whithorn in Galloway, one of the four Northumbrian bishopricks. After the annihilation of the Pictish kingdom, the Monarchs of Scotland assumed a feudal superiority over the lords of Galloway, which for many ages was disputed by the Gallwegian Reguli, and at last temporarily obtained, only as the fate of war decreed it. But in the reign of David the First, when the Scottish kings had obtained a greater influence over the lords or princes of Galloway, we flill find them a distinct people, governed by their VOL. IX. own

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own laws. And in several of David's Charters he thus begins, "David Dei gratia Rex Scottorum Episcopis, Abbatibus, Comitibus, Baronibus, et probis hominibus suis et omnibus sidelibus fuis totius Regni sui, Francis, et Anglicis et Scottis et Gallivernsibus Salutem."

And in the Regiam Majestatem, chap. xvii. of the statutes of Alex. II. "It was decerned be all the judges als well of Scotland as of Gallaway," &c. In the statutes of Robert Bruce, chap. xxxv. we have an account of the Galloway laws, and in the Haddington collection is a charter of Bruce to the Galloway men, confirming their ancient laws, &c.

I shall proceed to give some account of the history of this people, as far as I have been able to learn it; but in the early period it is very impersect until the time of Fergus.

Boece mentions one Dowgal Regulus of Galloway who prevented Constantine king of Scotland from being murdered by his subjects, about or before A. D. 479.

About the year 685, in the reign of Eugene V. king of Scotland, Egfrid king of Bernicia laid fiege to the castle of Donskene in Galloway.

Mordack king of Scotland is faid to have refounded the monastry of Candida-Casa, or Whitehorn, in Galloway. He died in 734.

Ethfin king of Scotland when old, refigned the management of public affairs to Murdack Lord of Galloway, Donald Thane of Argyle, Cullen Thane of Athole, and Conrith Thane of Murray. Under this administration, Donald Lord of the Isles laid waste Galloway, A. D. 761.

About the third year of the reign of Solvaith king of Scotland, A. D. 769, Gylleguham, the confederate of Donald Bane

2 (or (or the white) king of the Ebudæ, invaded Galloway; but was flain.

Macbeth king of Scotland slew Macgile Lord of Galloway.

Malcolm Can-more is faid to have added to the revenue of
Whithorn in Galloway.

In the reign of David the First, Sir David Dalrymple informs us, that at the battle of the Standard, which was fought August 22, 1138, "The Galivegians claimed the pre-eminence of beginning the attack, as being due by ancient custom, and they
in consequence led the van under their chiefs Ulgric and Davenald, who were both slain. This lost David the battle."

Fergus Lord of Galloway flourished in the end of the reign of Malcolm Canmore, and he lived until near the end of that of Malcolm IV. who died in 1165. He feems to have been a most powerful man in the age he lived in; for Malcolm IV. and he differing, he declared war against that king but was taken prisoner by Gilchrist the third earl of Angus. the king's general, and being shaved was shut up a monk in the abbey of Holyroodhouse in 1142, and he made great additions to the monastery or priory of Whithorn, and to the abbey of Holyroodhouse, where he died about the year 1160. He founded the abbey of Soulfeat or Sedes animorum, and St. Mary Isle. He left issue two sons, Uchtred and Gilbert, and he had a daughter called Africa, who married Olave the First, king of Man, and of the Isles, who died in the year 1144. Fergus had another daughter called Margaret, who was married to Alin (the fon of Walter the fon of Fleanch, who was dapifer to the king) and who died circa 1153. Fergus was fucceeded by his fon Uchtred who married Gunild the fifter of Alan, and the daughter of Waldeof Lord of Allerdale, who was fon to Gofpatrick earl of Dunbar. Gilbert attended his brother Uchtred

to the battle of Alnwick, where William the Lion was taken prisoner; and on their return home, they drove out of Galloway all the intendants and magistrates put over them by the Scottish king, they flew all the English and French who fell into their hands, took and destroyed all the castles and fortresses that the king of Scotland had built in their country, putting to the fword all they found in them. Uchtred founded and endowed the nunnery of Lincluden where he was buried. He granted the lands of Kirkgunin to the abbey of Holm Colteram in Cumberland. He was in the interest of Scotland; but his brother Gilbert who was attached to the English interest obtained their affistance, and made his brother prisoner, and put him cruelly to death. This happened during the captivity of king William the Lion. Uchtred left a fon called Roland. Gilbert was now Lord of all Galloway, but he did not enjoy it long, for he died in 1185, leaving a fon Duncan, afterwards earl of Carrick. This year, viz. 1185, Henry II. king of England led a great army to Carlifle, and with the concurrence of William the Lion and his aid, he fettled the affairs of Galloway; for Roland the fon of Uchtred upon his uncle Gilbert's death, declared himself Lord of all Galloway, and he vanquished and slew Gilpatrick who headed the faction of his coufin Duncan. But the kings of England and Scotland obliged Roland to give to Duncan

that part of Galloway called Carrick. And he became first Earl of Carrick.

I have put down his armorial bearing.

Roland now got quiet possession of the remainder of Galloway. He married Eva daughter and at last, sole heiress heirefs of Richard de Morville constable of Scotland, whereby he got a great estate, and the dignity of constable of Scotland transferred to his family, and he paid William the Lion 700 marks for his confirmation of this great accession of dignity and fortune.

Ralph de Diceto thus describes the Galloway men who served in the army of William the Lion, king of Scotland. "They " were fleet, naked, remarkably bold, wearing on their left " fides small knives, formidable to any armed men, very expert " in throwing and aiming their javelins at great distances, " fetting up for a figual when they go to battle a long lance." Roland, Lord of Galloway founded the abbey of Glen-luce in Galloway in the year 1190. By his wife Eva, he left iffue Alan his heir. 2dly. Thomas de Galloway, who married Isabel. fecond daughter of Henry earl of Athol, who by the death of Alanus de Londoniis, who was married to her eldest fister. became heiress to her father's great estates. And her husband Thomas of Galloway was "cinctus cum gladio comitatus Atholia," and became the fifth earl of Athol from Malcolm fon of Donald VII. king of Scotland who was created by David the First. He died in the year 1234, and was succeeded by his son Patrick the fixth earl of Athole.

Roland also left a daughter Ada, who married Sir Walter

Byffet.

Nisbet in his Heraldry mentions his having seen a charter of Roland Lord of Galloway granted to Alan Sinelair. To this charter his seal was appended, which he describes thus: "Ro"land is on the seal represented on horseback, in armour with
"a sword in his right hand, and on his lest arm a shield
"charged with a cheveron; which figure was also on the ca"parisons of his horse before and behind." Roland was succeeded

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ceeded by his eldest son, Alan, who was the fifth Lord of Galloway from Fergus, and the second constable of Scotland of his family.

He married the daughter of Hugh de Lacy, an Irish lady, by whom he had no issue. He founded the abbey of Tung-Iand in Galloway. He married for his second wise Margaret eldest daughter of David Earl of Huntington, brother to king Malcolm IV. and William the Lion. By her he had three daughters, Helen who was married to Roger de Quincy, Earl of Winchester. She had a son Roger de Quincy, who died in the year 1264. A charter of his to Secher de Seton is extant, to which is appended his seal in red wax with two sides, one having a man in armour on horseback brandishing a sword, and on his left arm a triangular shield charged with seven mascles, three, three, and one, and he had the same shield on the caparisons of his horse, and below the horse's belly a winged dragon, with these words round the seal:

## Sigil: Rogeri de Quincy comitis wincestriæ.

On the other fide of the feal was a man standing in a coat of mail with a fword in his right hand, and supporting a long triangular shield by his lest, with the aforesaid figures, being in a posture as if he were combating with a lion erect, having his two fore paws on the shield, and below his hinder feet a rose; the man's head and face being covered with a close helmet, ensigned with a circular diadem but not adorned with showers, upon which stood a dragon with wings, and tail noued for crest; and the legend round was,

Sigillum Rogeri de Quincy Constabularii Scotia.

This seal was in the possession of the Winton samily. Roger de Quincy who died in 1264 left three daughters, but no son; so the office of constable of Scotland returned to Christian the second daughter of Lord Alan, who married William de Fortibus, Earl of Albemarle; but she died without issue. The third daughter of Alan, Lord of Galloway was Dervigild, who married John Baliol of Barnard Castle. In Magna Charta, Alan de Galloway is mentioned as one of the great English Barons,

and is defigned conflable of Scotland.

Archdall in his Monafticon Hibernicum mentions that Alan of Galloway, Duncan of Carric, and the Biffets from Scotland, had lands given them near Carrick Fergus, by Henry III. King of England. Alan and his father Roland were benefactors to the abbey of Holmcolteram in Cumberland, of the lands of Lochartur in Galloway. He seems to have been the most powerful man in Scotland of his day, and dying without male issue in 1234, he was interred at the abbey of Dundrennan, where his tomb was lately to be feen. He lay in a nich in the cross isle, east from the north door. His effigy was well executed in stone, the figure was cross legged and in armour, with a belt across the shoulder and another round the waist. It was in a recumbent posture under a canopy of stone, from whence it has been thrown down, and the trunk shamefully mutilated and defaced. His lady lays on the west side of the same door in a nich alfo.

Upon the death of Alan Lord of Galloway, Alexander II. king of Scotland ordained this great principality to be equally divided amongst his three daughters, whom I have mentioned, and who all survived their father. But Thomas Macduallen, the bastard son of the deceased Lord Alan, claimed the whole succession of his sather. In this claim he was supported by the friends and tenants

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of the late Alan, by his father in law Olave, king of Man, as also by some Irish princes, and Sommerled Thane of Argyle. Alexander II. marched an army against Thomas Macduallen, whom he found at the head of ten thousand men. The royal army prevailing, Thomas Macduallen and Gildroth one of his allies escaped to Ireland. Thomas afterwards returned to Scotland, and threw himself on the king's mercy, who granted him his life.

Upon the death of Roger de Quincy Earl of Winchester, and son to the Lady Helen (as I before mentioned) which happened in the year 1264, and the lady Christian, who died without issue, Dervegild, the third daughter, now sound herself sole heires to her father, Lord Alan. I mentioned before, she was the wife of John Baliol, Lord of Barnard castle. She died in the year 1269, and left a son called John Baliol, who through her and her mother's right became King of Scotland. She left a daughter called Dervigild who was the grand mother of John Cummyng slain at Dumfries. The lady Dervigild sounded and endowed the abbeys of Hollywood and Dulce Cor (or Sweet Heart) in Galloway, and the Franciscan convent at Dumfries, and built the fine old stone bridge over the Nith there.

Her fon John Baliol had very great estates; for besides the great Lordship of Galloway he possessed Cuningham or the largs, Lanerk, Kadiow, Maldsley, and Dundee Castle. He had in France the Lordships of Baliol and Harcourt; and in England the lordship and honor of Bernard Castle.

I have put down his armorial bearing.



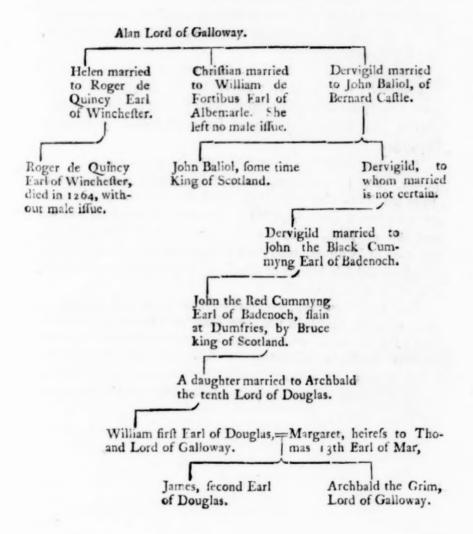
He was succeeded by Edward Baliol, who resided mostly in his lordship of Galloway, during his short and tumultuous reign, where he had the castles of Kenmore, Bootle, Kirkgungion, and Kirkandres.

In the year 1336 he fled from Galloway to England.

I formerly mentioned that Dervigild the daughter of Alan, had a daughter called Dervigild, whose daughter was the mother of John Cummyng, earl of Badenoch killed by Bruce at Dumfries.

This family of the Cummyns was of great antiquity and power. For John Cummyn earl of Badenoch, was the fon of John the black Cummyn, who upon the death of Queen Margaret became a competitor for the crown of Scotland, as fon and heir of John, who was fon and heir of Richard, the fon and heir of William, who was fon and heir of Hexetilda, the daughter and fole heirefs of Gothric, who was fon and heir of Donald king of Scotland.

This John Cummyn, who was flain by Bruce, left a daughter, who married Archbald the Xth Lord of Duglas, and by her had a fon William, who was the first earl of Duglas, and now that the Baliol, and Cummyn of Badenoch families were become extinct, he became heir of line to Alan Lord of Galdoway his predecessor, as appears by the following Genealogical Table.



William

William first Earl of Douglas and Lord of Galloway married his first wife before 1349, the Lady Margaret, daughter and at last sole heires of Thomas the XIIIth earl of Mar. By her he had James, second Earl of Douglas, and Archibald who was created Lord of Galloway by David II. in the 40th year of his reign. This Lord Archibald surnamed the Grim, refounded the nunnery of Lincluden; for the nuns having become very dissolute, he turned them out and converted the nunnery into a provostry. His brother earl James dying, he succeeded him in the earldom of Douglas in the year 1388. He married Jean daughter and heires to Thomas Murray of Bothwell, by whom he had a son Archibald the sourth earl of Douglas.

Lord Archbald the Grim lies interred in the vestry or sacrifty at Lincluden, above the door of which are his arms and those of his lady carved in stone upon separate shields, and three stars interlaced with three cups (as panitarius Scotiæ) are betwixt the shields.

Archbald IV. earl of Douglas and third Lord of Galloway, Lord Bothwell, Anandale, fecond Duke of Turenne, Count de I ongueville, and Mareshal of France, succeeded his father, Archbald the Grim, anno 1424. He married the Lady Margaret, eldest daughter to King Robert III. by the Lady Annabella Drummond. This Lady has a superb tomb at Lincluden with the following inscription:

Hic jacet Margareta, Scotiæ Regis filia, quonda comitissa de Douglas et Domina Galovidie et validanicæ.

This earl is interred in the church of Douglas, in a most magnificent tomb. He left a daughter the Lady Margaret, who was called the Fair Maid of Galloway. She got the estates of Galloway, Wigton, and Balvennie, &c. and was first married

to her cousin William, the fifth earl of Douglas, and secondly to James the fixth earl of Douglas. She lies with her mother at Lincluden, and was succeeded in the Lordship of Galloway. by James, the seventh earl of Douglas, sirnamed the Fat. He died in the year 1443, and was interred at Douglas, where he had a magnificent monument. He was succeeded by his son, William the eighth earl of Douglas, and fifth duke of Turenne, &c. He was succeeded by his brother James, the ninth earl of Douglas and fixth duke of Turenne. In this earl the male line of the first and second fons of William, first earl of Douglas ended. In the year 1455 the Scottish parliament annexed for ever to the crown the Lordship of Galloway, with all its freedoms, &c. From that period this ancient Lordship has continued annexed to the crown, and its ancient laws and customs, &c. have been annihilated, to put it upon the same footing as the other parts of Scotland.

VII. Translation of a Dissertation on Satyrical Medals, addressed to the Society by Pere Francois Phillippe Gourdin, Benedictine of the Order of St. Maur at Rouen, Librarian of the Abbey of St. Ouen in Normandy, Member of the Academies of Rouen, Caen, and Villefranche, and of the Literary Society of Boulogne and the Museum at Bourdenux, and Honorary Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London.

Read Dec. 6, 1787.

A BOUT a century has now elapsed since an important question arose among the most celebrated Antiquaries, concerning a Gold Medal of the Emperor Gallienus in the King of France's Cabinet. It exhibits on one side the head of the Emperor crowned with ears of corn, with the inscription GALLIENAE AVGVSTAE. The name of a woman over the head of an Emperor conveyed to many persons the idea of a medallic satire. Frederic Spanheim [a], Vaillant [b], Bandelot [c], Banduri [a], and

<sup>[</sup>a] Though, after Bernard author of the Nouvelles de la Republique des Lettres, and after the Journal des Sçavans 1698, we place Frederic Spanheim at the head of this lift (whom Bernard, Nouvelle Republique des Lettres, Jan. 1700, art. 2. confounded with his father Ezekiel, author of the two volumes ("De "Ufu & Præstantia Numismatum Antiquorum") Spanheim is by no means pofitive

and Grainville [e], conceived themselves authorised in adopting this opinion, inasmuch as the Emperor Julian in his Cæsars represents Gallienus coming to the Banquet of the Gods in the

fitive in this opinion. He only confiders the medal as a fingular one. See his Translation of the Casars of Julian, note 294.

[b] In ludierum Gallieno ab uno ex ipsis qui imperatoris titu'um contrà eum arripuerit percussum videtur, illum Augustam appellans: ut omnibus denotaret pro sœmina eum haberi debere, qui res tâm negligenter in bellis undique Romanum imperium prementibus ageret: de quo aït Pollio, at ejus ne mentio qui tem apud exercitum si ret; ità pro laurea spicas gerit tanquim abdomini potius quam bello vacaret. Bigas agit, quod victoriam in circo potius quam de hostibus quæreret. Pro epigraphe, ubique pan, cum nulla provincia esset quæ bello non impeteretur. (Numisim præst. imperat. T. II. p. 381.)

[c] Letter to the Abbé de Vallemont on the explanation which he has given of the gold medal in the King's cabinet, 1698. Answer to M. G[alland], wherein are examined several questions of Antiquity, among others the above

translation.

M. Baudelot expresses his surprise that the Abbé de Vallemont should have followed such an historian as Trebellius Pollio, and have taken the liberty of changing the punctuation of the passage, which he cites in support of his opinion, and thereby makes the historian say the contrary of what he really has said, Though Galland agreed with Baudelot, as to this translation and alteration, he was not of the same opinion as to the legend vbiove Pax, or the manner of reading the inscription of the obverse. This is the subject of Baudelot's answer, who says, that this is not the only ironical medal to be met with, but that the Roman coinage afford more than one striking example of the kind.

[4] Nova et insolita epigraphe, novus ac insolitus typus hujus nummi, quem in ludibrium, atque ad æternum Gallieni dedecus cusum putant viri eruditi. Gall enæ Augustæ inscribitur, ut omnibus notum fieret pro sæmina eum haberi debere . . . vel quod Zenobia in eum arma sumpsisset, ejusque ducem Heraclia-

num vicisset . . . . (Num. imper. Rom. T. I. pp. 154. et 155. not. 5.)

[4] Dissert. sur quelques med. satyriques de Gallien decouvertes depuis peu (Mem. de Trevoux. Juin 1712), Voilà bien des medailles, dit il, qu'il est difficile d'envisager de prés sans y appercevoir de la malice... d'autant plus que ces medailles sont la plûpart très rares et même uniques, ce qui ne convient point aux medailles qu'on a frappées en l'honneur d'un Prince, qui sont presque toutes trés communes.

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habit and with the air of a woman [f]. The legend on the reverse VBIQVE PAX, at a time when war desolated all the provinces of the Empire, tended admirably to confirm the opinion of these learned men.

Father Hardouin [g], however, together with the Abbé de Vallemont [b], and Monf. Galland [i], were unwilling to perceive

[f] Έπὶ τότω παρήλθιν είσω Γαλλιάνος, . . . . ς ελά τε καὶ κινήσει χρώμενος μαλακώτερα, ώσπερ αὶ γυνάικες. Ὁ Σειληνός πρός τον Γαλλιάνον έφη,

"O; καὶ χρυσὸν ἔχων πάνλη τρυφα hule κέρη.

Julian, fays Spanheim on the place, introduces him here as an effeminate man, fuch às he really was. What is faid of his robe, which literally approached in fostness that of a woman, refers to what Trebellius Pollio says of it, that he wore a man's purple robe, with gold and sleeves, which were not seen on men's robes before the time of Gallienus, who first made use of such—meaning in short, that Gallienus was attired and set off more like a courtezan than an emperor. (note 203. p. 22.)

[g] Galliene augusta scriptum est pro Galliene August, in vocandi casu: pro usu scilicet temporum illorum quibus littera Æ vel E subinde permutabatur in scribendo ob soni similitudinem ... jam corona graminea, qua caput Gallieni cingitur, magnarum victoriarum index suit, et inter cætera coronarum bellicarum principem locum tenuit, ut ait Plinius lib. xxii. sect. 4. (Chronol, Specimen Numm, Sæc. Constantini, p. 447.)

This explanation must appear very simple to such a singular genius as Hardouin. He therefore offers another more refined one: GALLIENO Augusto Edua AVGusta Vrbis Servatori Triumphalem Arcum Erexit. In like manner he translates the legend on the reverse: Victoria Bisuntina, QVietem Edua Peperit, Augusti X decennalibus (ad Plinii Hist. Nat. T. I. p. 370.)

[h] Nouvelle explication d'une medaille d'or du cabinet du roi, 1698, 12'. The Abbé in the first letter pretends from a passage in Trebellius Pollio that the person here treated of is one Gallienena cousin german to the Emperor, who killed the tyrant Cornelius Celsus seven days after his election, and that Gallienus to shew his gratitude engraved the head of this Princess with the title of AVOVSTA on one of his medals. In the second letter the author desends his opinion against

ceive any fatire whatfoever in this medal: they endeavoured to give feveral explanations of it, but these were perhaps more in-

genious than fatisfactory [k].

These antiquaries, and particularly Father Hardouin laid it down as a principle that the Romans were too grave a people to tolerate upon their medals Jokes, which were unworthy of the Majesty of the Empire [1].

Upon this principle Klotzius, contends that no fatyrical medal whatfoever is to be found among the antients, and that

Baudelot and Galland. Notwithstanding the praises given to their letters in the Journals, they contain more searning than reasoning.

[i] "Lettre touchant la Nouv. Explic. &c. Caen, 1698," Galland like Baudelot maintains that Vaillant has mifunderftood or miftranslated the passage of Pollio, and that this Galliena had not killed but elected Celsus, who was killed seven days afterwards. He thinks the Æ is put here for E by the fault of the Monetarius, and that all medals of the Roman Emperors have a serious intention.

[#] The weakness of these three interpretations discovers itself. It is not enough to say with P. Hardouin that at that time Æ was put for E from simplicity of sound. This can only be an error in speech and not in writing, especially as the diphthong is composed of two single letters, as it is written on medals and inscriptions. Galland's reason has no more weight. Consult on this subject, "Freelich de nummis monetar, veter, culpavitiosis." As to the Abbé Vallemont, it is sufficient to overset his system to read his second letter, in which he pretends to defend it.

[1] Hec obiter de Gallieni nummo . . . . cùm in nummis antiquis, faltèm Latinis, nihil planè fit ludicrum. aut fcurrile, Romana gravitate ac majestate indignum. Nec si nummos quidèm tales audimus quisquam serè ex Augustis, aut magis in bello strenuus, aut magis acceptus P. R. Gallissque suerit quam Gallienus. (ut supra, p. 448). This is a complete panegyric of Gallienus. It is confirmed in a letter of P. Chamillard on the medals of Gallienus, wherein is shewn that all the historians agree with the medals. This letter truly interesting by the plan of a Roman History after medals and historians, which it contains, apay be found in the Mem. de Trevoux, Novembre 1719, p. 95.

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the very first of the kind is not of a more antient date than the year 1512, when Louis XII. caused one to be struck in order to revenge himself upon Pope Julius II. who had put the kingdom of France under interdict [m].

Let us examine this principle, the truth of which is founded upon incontrovertible facts, but let us at the same time reduce it to its just value, and we shall very soon perceive that the conclusion drawn from it is too general, too extensive, and consequently false and ill-founded.

The Greeks were undoubtedly very cautious to eternize by means of medals the difgrace of their vanquished enemies. On the contrary they appear, on the authority of Diodorus Siculus [n], to have erected only trophies of wood as the monuments of their victories, from the apprehension that they would otherwise have been too durable.

The Romans, whose policy, at least in the more early ages, consisted in extending by conquest the limits of the republic, and in augmenting the number of its citizens, seem to have behaved to the conquered with as much moderation as the Greeks [o]. It is remarkable that notwithstanding the hatred and contempt which they entertained towards the Jews, nothing

[m] Primum fatyricum nummum Christianissimi Regis manu in Vicarium dei cusum... non antiquiorem inveni. Hist. nummor. contumelios. et satiricor. p. 138, Altemburgi, 1765, 12mo.

[n] Lib. xiii. c. 9. Plutarch informs us that those who first erected trophies of brass or stone were not highly esteemed. Quast. Rom. n. 37.

[0] Hæc est in gremium victos quæ sola recepit, Matris, non dominæ ritu, civesque vocavit Quos domuit, nexuque pio longinqua revinxt.

Claudian. de laud. Stilic. iii. 150.

Nunquam Populus Romanus hoslibus domitis victoriam suam exprobravit. Florus Epitom. lib. iii. cap. 2.

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injurious to this nation appears upon the medals which were struck in honour of Titus and Vespasian after the conquest of Jerusalem. It is true indeed that upon several medals of those Emperors there is represented a fow with its young ones, which many authors have imagined to have been with a view to infult the Jewish nation. Oiselius has expresly faid so: " in oppro-66 brium Judworum post victoriam Judaicam Vespasiani et Titi " imperatorum videtur hæc fus impressa, quasi Judæis expro-" brans." Father Joubert is of the fame opinion. " The hog," fays he, " denotes Judea enflaved; for Vespasian and Hadrian. " in order to fubdue the spirit of the Jews, compelled " them to exhibit upon the gate of Jerusalem the figure of " this animal, which they held in the utmost detestation [ ]?" John Bimard, in his Remarks upon this work, refutes this opinion. " It would be a very difficult matter," fays he, " to cite a fingle medal upon which a hog is represented. There " is but this one instance of a fow with its young ones, which " has no connexion whatfoever with the conquest of Jerusalem " by Vefpafian or Hadrian." Caffiodorus has cleared up every doubt upon this fubject, where he thus expresses himself: " In " fronte ejus portæ qua Bethleem egreditur fus fculptus in mar-" more, fignificans Romanæ potestati subjacere Judæos." This animal, long before the destruction of Jerusalem, was reprefented upon the Roman standards, as we learn from Festus [q]. " Porci effigies inter militaria figna quintum locum obtinebat, " quia confecto bello, inter quos pax fieret, cæso porco fædus

<sup>[</sup>p] The Jesuit Pedruzi says the same: "In this representation we observe a contempt shewn of the Jews, in reproach of whom Vespasian ordered the sow to be here exprest." (Museo Farnes. T. H. tab. xx. n. p. 339.) and elsewhere speaking of Titus, he says, "The reverse shewing a sow with her pigs as in a similar one made by Vespasian in derision of the Jews." (Ib. tab. xxi. n. 7. p. 354.)
[4] L. xiv.

"firmari folebat." So that in this point of view, the principle laid down by Father Hardouin, and by those who have adopted his opinion, is absolutely true; and it may be said that the antients have in this instance left the moderns a great and noble example of moderation, which the latter have not at all times sufficiently followed.

This same principle considered in another sense will be sound equally true. Neither the Roman senate, the municipal towns, or the colonies, ever assumed to themselves the privilege of exhibiting any mark whatsoever of raillery, or malicious allusion to the Emperors or Empresses, upon their coins, or even upon their particular medals [r], and for this reason, that all bodies of men owe a degree of respect to themselves, while an individual seems in this instance to possess more liberty; he may do that with impunity which a body of men could not attempt without considerable hazard.

It would not therefore have been advisable for the senate, the municipal towns, or the colonies, to effect what princes and monarchs have sometimes done; for the latter are on this occasion to be considered as individuals, powerful indeed, and whose will, however ridiculous, finds authority in the flattery of courtiers: it is not surprizing therefore that the effects of their hatred, revenge, pride, or other passions, are transmitted from age to age by monuments which are silently censured in their own times by men of understanding, and loudly proscribed by equitable posterity.

[r] The question has been frequently agitated, whether medals were current money. See in the Memoirs de Trevoux, June 1707, p. 1085, a Differtation on the subject, wherein the author gives reasons on both sides. The 4th proof on the negative side is drawn from injurious medals, among which this of Gallienus is cited, and the 5th proof on the affirmative side is taken also from the want of seriousness in certain medals.

Of this kind is the medal of Louis XII. against Pope Julius II. with the inscription, PERDAM BABILONIS NOMEN,

of which an account may be feen in Thuanus [s].

This principle being laid down, we do not think that the medals upon which the letters S. C. are found, or any other public mark of authority whatfoever, were ever intended as fatirical medals, although they may have the appearance of being fo.

Nor do we believe that certain reverfes, or inferiptions, upon authorized medals, which some, through a servile complaisance, as Father de Grainville [t], says, considered as so many eulogies, were really looked upon, at the time when they were struck, by wife and considerate men, as monuments of insulting raillery.

We do not even allow, in conformity to the opinion of the learned Spanheim, that these reverses and inscriptions are to be considered as oblique admonitions and indirect lessons to princes,

[s] Cum Julio II. non eandem amicitiam coluit, quippè eum infeftissimum hostem semper expertus, quem gratissimum amicum habere debuit. Quæ odia eo evaserunt ut temere et injuriose Rex à Pontifice proscriptus primò Lugduni synodo præsulum regni convocatà ipsum in jus vocaverit... quin et eo ipso provectus est, ut spretis multis multorum, quibus alloqui plurimum tribuebat, suassonibus, moribundi senis inanes diras contrarià obnunciatione generose revicerit, sus etiam aures numme, qui titulos regis Franciæ regnique Neapolitani cum estigie sua ex una parte, et insignia Franciæ ex altera referebat, cum hoc elogio: PERDAM BABILONIS NOMEN. Quales adhue hodie multi reperiuntur. (Thuan. Histor. lib. i. p. 11. edit. 1626. Genev.)

Varillas pretends that this inscription is to be understood with reference to the manners of the clergy. If so, it would be conceived in a very extraordinary manner. P. Hardouin refers it to the crusade against the Sultan of Egypt, whose capital was Babylon; but this opinion is contradicted by historians. These different opinions have been resulted by Ch. Sigism. Liebe (Prodrom. reformationis pia memoria recolenda sive nummi Ludovici xii. regis Gallorum epigraphe Lips. 1717.) and by Deylingius (Observ. sacræ p. iii. differt. 50, p. 399).

[1] Mem. de Trevoux, June 1712, p. 1092, & feq

by means of which, under pretence of describing them as they were, they were seriously informed what they ought to have been [u].

We are perfuaded that when the praises bestowed upon the Emperors and Empresses on medals which were avowed, acknowledged, and authorized by the senate, municipal towns, and colonies, are flatly contradicted by all the historians, they are to be considered in no other light than as scandalous monuments of a shameless flattery.

It is very clear that such gross falshood could not have imposed upon wise and well informed citizens; and even those men whose minds preserved a vigorous independency condemned in secret, and despised with concern, a body of men, who debased themselves by imposture, in flattering a tyrant who was frequently a very monster. But no one will suspect that this body without a soul could have ever intended to consign to ridicule or facrifice to farcasm the despot whose chains it so cordially submitted to.

Now the fenate of Rome was in so abject a state under many of the Emperors, that it condescended to deify even their most infamous debaucheries and most execrable cruelties [x].

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<sup>[</sup>u] Hinc non continuo tamen arguendus amplissimus ordo...qui spes suas & vota monumentis id genus consignabant, imo qui his veluti tabulis quum aliter per illorun temporum immanitatem non licebat principes & corum conjuges officii sui sub commendationis specie frequenter admonere non dubitaret. (De usu & præst. Numism. ant. T. I. Dist. III. p. 118.)

<sup>[</sup>x] If we examine the medals of that monster of debauchery and cruelty, Commodus, we shall see to what a pitch of meanness not only the senate but the municipal towns and colonies carried their flattery. We shall be shocked to see on the reverse of one of his medals a woman standing before an altar with a paterd in her hand, and this inscription, AVCTOR PIETAT, P. M. TR. XIII. IMP.

That we may form an idea to what an extent the Roman fenate and people were funk and degraded it will be fufficient to adduce proofs of the excessive and infolent joy to which they abandoned themselves upon being delivered from a tyrant.

After the death of Nero, two medals of Galba appeared. Upon the reverse of the first a victory holds a laurel in one hand, and a cornucopiæ in the other with the inscription, VICTORIA P. R. [y] upon that of the second, the same inscription VICTORIA. with a figure of victory inscribing upon a shield the letters P. R.

The Romans, however, had atchieved no victory; but their joy was so great, their transports so excessive, that a great number of the citizens assumed the cap of liberty, as if Rome had recovered its antient freedom [2].

In like manner upon the affaffination of Commodus, two medals of Pertinax were struck, one of them representing a woman standing, in a robe, in her right hand a crown, the symbol of joy as well as of victory, according to Hyginus, in her left

VIII. COS. VI. P. P. and to read on others, FELICIA TEMPORA IOVI EX-SVPER. P. M. TR. P. XIIII. COS. V. PP.—PROVIDENTIAE AVG.—SAL. GEN. HVM. COS. VI. P. P. (See Vaillant num. imp. præft. 1. 95 & feq. Numifin.

imper. a populis Graece loquentibus. p. 66-75.)

Such extraordinary flattery will be thought extraordinary from a body whom Caligula called together on a fueden at midnight to infult them by dancing before them, (Xiphilin, p. 131.) His intention of creating his horse consult is well known (Ib. p. 134), And what would he not have done to gratify the cruel pleasure of insulting a body who had completely incurred his contempt, who trembled at his threats, and who by an authentic ast had voted solemn facrifices to eternize the elemency of the cruellest of men in gratitude to him for not cutting their throats, as he had told them he had it in his power to do. (Ib. 134.)

[y] Vaillant Num. imp. præst. n. p. 79.

[z] Ο δε δημος των Ρωμαίαν εξεθυζει και υπερχαίζε, και τίνες και πίλας ηλευθερωμένοι εφερον. Χιρδίείπ.

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hand a cornucopiæ with the infcription LAETITIA TEMPO-RVM. COS. 11. Upon the other a woman standing in like manner holding in her right hand a die, in her left a cornucopiæ, with the inscription, LIBERATIS CIVIBVS [a].

These medals are without doubt injurious to the memories of Nero and Commodus, but they are in a much higher degree monuments of a shameful slavery of the Roman senate and people.

Raillery and fatire are the arms of imbecilfity, but not of meanness; they announce a sufficient degree of courage to defire revenge, but too great weakness to hazard the effects of it.

Now with respect to the entire body of a nation and particularly of a republic, the senate, which represents it, is never in this situation. It knows no medium between sovereign power and absolute slavery. Let us examine the history of all people and of all ages, we shall easily perceive that the spirit which animates a national body must commonly incline to the extremes. Is it desirous of appearing great? Its sierceness becomes pride. Does it talk of liberty? It is independence which it cherishes, after which it runs, it slies; and as its fear degenerates into pusillanimity, so its circumspection is to be considered as absolute cowardice which it would vainly decorate with the name of prudence.

Thus the Roman people under its confuls ran to arms upon the least discontent, and retired to the Aventine Hill; thus did the Roman senate under its Emperors servilely kiss the hand of the despot who imposed on it a yoke of iron, and publicly congratulated Nero for having committed a parricide [b].

<sup>[</sup>a] Vaillant ubi supra, p. 203.

<sup>[6]</sup> Suctonius, Nero, c. 34.

The body of a nation then will either distain to arm itself with satire, or it will not have courage to do it. For men do not amuse themselves by turning into ridicule one whom they can cause to tremble, or should he be able to annihilate them. I think myself therefore justified in afferting that every medal which hath upon it S. C. or any other mark of authority, ought not to pass for a satirical one, though it may appear to be so; which appearance very often is nothing more than the mark of servile adulation.

On the other hand, however, care must be taken not to conclude with Klotzius, that there is no where existing any ancient medal carrying the marks of raillery and farcasm.

For it would be very bad reasoning to conclude that because neither the senate nor the colonies had ever struck any satyrical medal, that private persons had never dared to do so.

Satire in whatever mode it may be conveyed, is, as hath been before observed a secret and hidden means of revenge.

If we confult history, we shall see that it was by no means unknown to private persons at Rome.

It is well known what ribaldry the foldiers of Julius Cæfar threw out in their fongs when he entered Rome in triumph [c].

Augustus observing the various writings published against him, commanded that the authors of them should be sought for, they having concealed themselves under seigned names [d].

Another time in full theatre they applied to him a verse of the play [e], and gave him a nick name during a temporary scarcity [f].

<sup>[</sup>c] Sucton. Jul. c. 49.

<sup>[</sup>d] Suet. Aug. c. 55. [e] Ib. c. 68.

<sup>[</sup>f] 1b. c. 70.

The taste of this prince for precious furniture, and his love of gaming, were made the subjects of two epigrams, one of which was written at the foot of his statue, and the other published during the war of Sicily [g].

Tiberius was by a most insulting play upon his name denominated *Biberius* on account of his drukenness. "Propter nimiam vini aviditatem pro Tyberio Biberius vocabatur." This Suetonius relates [b], and also that he was called *Catrinus* by reason of his frequent debaucheries in the island of Caprea [i].

As a proof of the audacity of the people towards this prince the following lines were made upon him:

Aurea mutâsti Saturni sæcula, Cæsar,
Incolumi nam te serrea semper erunt.
Fastidit vinum quia sitit iste cruorem;
Jam bibit hunc avidè quam bibit ante merum [4].

For many nights together the streets of Rome resounded with nothing but the cries of those who reproached him with the death of Germanicus [1], and even in the open theatre he was reproached with the dissoluteness of his manners [m].

Raillery and fatire braved even the cruelty of Nero, and though the weak fenate overlooked his crimes, yet private persons did not scruple to accuse him in such epigrams as these:

<sup>. [</sup>g] Ib. c. 71.

<sup>[</sup>b] Tiber. c. 42.

<sup>[</sup>i] Ib. c. 43.

<sup>[</sup> A I Ibid.

<sup>[1] &</sup>quot;Per nocles celeberrime acclamatum est " Redde Germanicum," Ib. c. 52.

<sup>[</sup>m] Ib. c. 45.

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Quis neget Æneæ magna de stirpe Neronem: Sustulit hie matrem, sustulit ille patrem [n].

If it required intrepidity to reproach the tyrant to his face with the barbarity of his conduct, or the infamy of his manners, no less prudence was required in the differing of the epi-

grams, which were made on this occasion [o].

Sometimes recourse was had to a way less exposed to the danger of discovery, by engraving on stones emblems or symbols, which contained indirect allusions to the conduct or manners of Emperors or Empresses, until, become hardened by impunity, they seared not to put upon the stones the very names of the persons turned to ridicule, and accompanied them often with the most injurious epithets.

Such is among many others which might be cited that precious stone in the Stosch collection [p], at the top of which might be read MESSAL, at the bottom CLAVDI, and in the middle the word INVICTA; in every letter of which some allu-

fion to debauchery might be discovered.

In some cabinets may be seen figures cloathed with the Toga, having a roll or volume in their hand, but whose heads and seet

are often those of a bear or an ass [9].

If among the Romans these different means to ridicule those in power were employed, is it likely that they would have neglected to use their raillery upon medals, which were more convenient to spread abroad these kinds of satire? It can scarcely

[n] Sueton. Claud. cap. 39.

[ o] See alfo Sucton. Ner. c. 39-45. Oth. c. 3.

[p] Winkelm. p. 443.

[q] Count Caylus had one of these figures. There was a similar one in the Jesuits' library at Rome. The ass appears in the Albani Collection. Caylus iii 28.

be doubted that they had recourse to this mode, fince there are medals which bear all the marks than can be denominated satyrical.

Such are those medals called Spintrian, infamous medals struck upon the debaucheries of Tiberius in the island of Caprea, the accounts of which given by Suetonius are suspected of being exaggerated beyond the truth of history [r].

The opinions concerning these Spintrian medals are extremely various: some attribute them to Tiberius [s], others deny that to have been the case [s]: some look upon them to have been the coins struck for the sestivals of Venus mentioned by Clemens Alexandrinus [u], and lastly, others are persuaded that they should be distributed at the representation of lascivious subjects [x] in the rank of those presents, which were mutually made during the Saturnalia [y].

The numeral letters marked upon one fide of these medals have often exercised the fagacity of the learned, and have occafioned different conjectures [z].

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[r] Bodin (Method. Histor. c. 4.) Muretus (Orat 17.) Tillemont (Hist. des Emper. ii. 488). blame him; while Politian (Præs. in Suet.) Erasmus (Epist. Dedic. in Sueton) endeavour to excuse him.

In support of the opinion that they were struck by Tiberius, Addison says he found them in the island of Caprea (Rem. on Italy, 1705.) But Suctonius mentions only Sigilla.

[3] Patin, Numism. Imp. p. 29.

[t] Spanheim de usu & præst. Num. Dissert. xiii. p. 521.

[u] Νομισμα δε εισφερεσε αυζη οι μυσμενοι ως εξαιρα εραςαι, Orat. adv.

[x] Spanheim, 26.

[7] Klotzius (Hift. num. contumel. et fatyr. p. 41, & feq.) But this opinion

is least founded of any.

[2] Some imagine these letters, which appear on other medals, denote the Tribunician power (Patin num. imper. p. 29.) others the years of the Emperor's L 2 reign It is more probable that they were intended to expose to the people at large the debaucheries of their prince, and that there were numbers of like theatrical tickets to circulate them more easily without suspicion, or this not succeeding, they might be thrown among the croud. Martial (viii. Ep. 79) says they fell from the clouds [a], Abbé Orlond ranks these medallions of a size between the large and middle bronze.

To these medals we may add some others of a more decent satire.

1. A Maximinus, on the reverse of which are the three standards of legions with this inscription: S. P. Q. R. OPTIMO PRINCIPI[b]. Is it probable that they would give to one of the most wicked of men, the title of the best of princes, that it should be the senate and people who give him this title, and that at a time when he was not at Rome[c]?

2. A Salonina with these words; AVG. IN PACE, at a time when the whole empire was involved in war [d].

reign (Havercamp. p. 287.) others annex different meanings (Dulodorus in Beger Thefaur, Brandenb. II. 611.)

[a] Or rather fell in showers, or, as we fay, thick as hail,

Nunc veniunt subitis lasciva numismata nimbis.

Or, as Claudian expresses it,

Quippe velut denso currentia munera nimbo.

Conf. Prob. & Olybr, 1. 45-

[b] See Thef. Morell. tab. 43. Goltzii numism. Aug. tab. 68. Nonnius comment. ad illa. Spanheim de usu, &c. dis. xiii. p. 521. Essay on Medals, Lond. 1784.)

[c] Patin, p. 454. He supposes it the effect of flattery, but only as a conjecture.
[d] "Hæc inscriptio in Salonina insolens & obscura Tristano nostro videtur, sed non inspexerat nummum in Gallieni lusibi ium cusum . . . unde in dedecus hunc etiam ejus conjugi signatum putamus a quodam tiranno qui similiter eam in pace Augustum appellavit, dum per omne imperium continuum arderet bellum." Vaillant, Num. præstant. imperat. n. 387.

3. Ano-

3. Another of the same; on the reverse, Rome sitting presents a victory to Gallienus who is standing, ROMAE AETERNAE, when all the provinces were insested by the Barbarians, and occupied by the thirty tyrants [e].

We might cite the coin of Commodus, on the reverse whereof uninscribed is a figure of the Emperor advancing to the right, while a figure like Minerva, as if flying away to the left, holds a little behind his head a crown which she seems to take off. It is remarkable that the respective position of these two figures leaves no room for the equivoque of an dat an tollit, in the statue of Louis XIV. in the Place des Victoires. In order to be convinced hereof we need only compare this medal with another of the same Emperor, on which a victory crowns him, and in general with all where the like type occurs [f].

It would be easy to enlarge the list, and take into it the medals of Faustina inscribed Pudicitia, those with Veneri Genetrici and Mater Castrorum, to which Tristan (Comment. I. p. 556) applies that passage in Arnobius, B. iii. Etiamne militaris Venus castrensibus flagitiis præsidet, as so many censures of Faustina's conduct [g].

But we need only examine what should be the characters of a medal to lead us to deem it satyrical. They are the following.

First, it should bear no mark of its author: for though the authors of satyrical pieces have sometimes concealed themselves under respectable names [b], we are not to conclude that the au-

<sup>[.]</sup> Ibid. p. 388.

<sup>[</sup>f] Patin, p. 265.

<sup>[8]</sup> A chariot drawn by a parrot and driven by a grasshopper, among the Hereulanean pictures (Tavola xlvii. n. 6.) is supposed to imply a fatire on the famous Locusta, who understood so well the nature and use of poison.

<sup>[</sup>b] Junius Novatus under the name of the younger Agrippina published a very severe letter to Augustus, (M. A. Sabellicus comment. in Sueton Aug. c. 55.)

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thor or engraver of an injurious medal would ever have dared to put on the name of the fenate, a municipal town, or a colony.

It should never be of different sizes, though of different metals: there could be no reason for different sizes.

It should be a very rare one: first, because at their origin they could be by no means common; and, 2dly, because it was the interest of the prince to seek them out, and cause them to be destroyed; and, 3dly, in succeeding ages its sting being lost, it would be melted down like many others.

It should also at least on the reverse naturally present a malicious allusion, or a stroke of raillery confirmed by the in-

fcription.

Its explanation should be simple, easy, and striking, have a strict agreement with history to paint the manners of him who was the object of fatire, and be so easy to explain as to offer no violence to sense by an interpretation doubtful or inconclusive.

Without having all these several marks united by which we may distinguish it, we cannot think it prudent to affert that such a medal is or is not a satyrical one.

It should further be considered that the raillery to be good should be seasoned with a certain salt, and please by being concealed. In its own time such a medal should be a kind of enigma of which some circumstances little known from the motto, and the circumstances not having always been transmitted to us it is hardly possible for us to guess them. Sometimes too the author intending to be known only by his initials conceals his thoughts under the ambiguity of the meaning, and the equivocality of the terms [i].

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<sup>[</sup>f] This fort of enigma is not absolutely uncommon. I might cite among others a medal of Nero without legend, and on the reverse  $\frac{B.C.}{T.G.}$  [See Mem.

Before we determine, we should first be sure that the medal is really antique, and has not been retouched. The Italians have practised this trick to make common medals pass for rare. Thus, says an English author [k], a Claudius struck at Antioch may be made an Otho; a Faustina a Titiana; Marcus Aurelius a Pertinax.

2. We should see if the medal has not been re-struck. We frequently meet with coins of Faustina, Antoninus, M. Aurelius, half effaced on which the head of Posthumus has been struck.

3. We should consider if the medal be not made up of two others soldered together.

4. We should examine if the devise has not been altered, and another substituted. This kind of trick, says the same author, may be concealed with so much art as to impose on Antiquaries, and require experienced eyes to detect them.

5. It is right to observe that after Gallienus, the tyrants who usurped the Empire succeded one another so rapidly that the mintmasters had scarce time to finish their medals, and have in more than one instance given the successor the reverse graved for his predecessor: thus we have PACATOR ORBIS on the reverse of a Marius, who reigned but three days.

de Trevoux, June, 1707, p. 1090), one of Justinian explained by P. Hardouin (Ibid. May, 1608, p. 816)

The folutions usually given of these numismatic problems are arbitrary and more probable than certain. As a proof let us take the medal of Faushina, on the reverse of which is Ceres, standing on a globe, holding a torch on each hand, and the word SOVSTI. As this makes no sense, it has been agreed that it was made up of initials, and various readings have been assigned, all of which would have vanished before the conjecture of Klotzius, p. 56, that it was like many other blunders of the mint-master. The S. C. shews it to have been struck by proper authority.

[4] Essay on Medals, Lond. 1784.

All these observations may be concluded by observing that in spite of the affertion of Klotzius, antiquity offers more than one example of satyrical medals, as Prosper Marchand [/] hath very well shewn, and yet, allowing that it is frequently so difficult that it is by no means surprizing that the most able Antiquaries have been sometimes divided in opinion whether some particular medal was or was not intended to convey a satyrical meaning.

<sup>[1]</sup> Diction. Historiq. ou Mem. critiq. et litter. fol. 1758, art. Medailles note 1. p. 48, & seq.

VIII. Extract of a Letter from Col. Sydenham to Lord Macartney, dated St. Thomas' Mount, near Madrafs, Oct. 14, 1786. Communicated by Dr. Lort, V. P.

Read May 3, 1787.

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TOUR Lordship has probably heard that a number of I Roman coins have been lately found in Nellour Country. The story is this. A labourer in ploughing some ground found himself obstructed by something which he perceived to be a fquare building of brick or stone. Having the curiofity to penetrate further he came to a small pot containing several pieces of gold. By some means it reached the ears of the renter, who reported it to the Durbar, and the money was ordered to be fent to Madrass. To the great astonishment of the Eastern world, they proved to be Roman coins of different Emperors, the impression of many as perfect and fresh as new. Some had holes bored in them, as if defigned as an ornament to be worn round the neck, while on others the impression was nearly effaced. There were about 40. The Ameer gave one to each of his particular friends. I had no chance of obtaining the Vol. IX. M fame

fame favour; but I faw them all, and proposed to have them drawn with a view to fend a copy to your Lordship. The Ameer caught at the offer, and sent me two and three coins at a time, but suddenly stopt, and all my applications could not procure me another. Mr. Gourard superintended the drawings, and they were faithfully copied.

How to account for the coins being found in these parts is not very easy. Some have endeavoured by them to ascertain the precise limits of the marches of the Roman Conquerors into the East, while others suppose these coins brought by travelling Armenians, whom a spirit of commerce spread through all countries, and attracted hither at so early period."

- The Coins of which drawings were presented to the Society are eleven in number, of Adrian, Trajan, Faustina, &c. all gold, with the following types and legends:
  - 1. DIVA AVG. FAVSTINA
    PIETAS AVG. A female figure at an altar.
  - 2. HADRIANVS AVGVSTVS
    COS III. The wolf and twins.
  - 3. Same legend,
    COS III. P. P. A foldier holding a launce between three standards.
  - 4. Same legend,

    COS III. under a horseman with a spear galloping.
  - 5. IMP. CAESAR. TRAIANO OPTIMO AVG. GER. DAC. P. M. TR. P. COS. VI. P. P. S. P. Q. R. FORT. RED. Fortune fitting and holding a cornucopiæ and rudder.
- 6. . . . TRAIANO AVG. GER. DAC. P. M. T. R. P. COS. P. P. S. P. Q. R. OPTIMO PRINCIPI. Three standards.

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- 7. HADRIANVS AVGVSTVS, P. P.
  COS. III. A horseman extending his right hand,
- 8. Almost effaced feems Gordian

MAXIMO . . . . A figure fitting holding a spear.

9. IMP. TRAIANO AVG. GER. DAC. P. M. TR. P. COS. V. P. P.

S. P. Q. R. OPTIMO PRINCIPI. in a civic crown.

- 10. Quite indistinct.
- 11. The same as 9 on both sides, but the Consulship VI.

IX. Observations on some brass Celts, and other Weapons discovered in Ireland, 1780; by the Rev. Mr. Pegge. In a Letter to the Rev. Michael Lort, D. D. V. P. A. S.

Read Dec. 20, 1787.

DEAR SIR,

IT is but a very imperfect account I can give you of a late discovery, in the antiquarian way, made in Ireland; however it is the best I am able to offer. About the year 1780, two-pieces of antiquity were found in a bog in IVest-Meath, unaccompanied with any thing else of note. Lady Sharborne, having been in that kingdom this summer, the pieces I mentioned happily came into her hands, and her Ladyship, on her return to England was so obliging as to make me a present of them.

The drawings of these venerable remains, of the exact size of the originals, were made by the excellent hand of my friend Hayman Rook, Esq. a member of our Society; so that you may depend upon the accuracy of them [a].

[a] Sec pl. III.

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The first of them, marked A. is a Celt, as this fort of instrument is commonly called, and a very perfect one. It is of brass, as I suppose the Celts in general are, and having a ring, or loop on one fide, very nearly refembles No 3, in your VIIIth plate, vol. V. of the Archæologia, except that on the flat or broad part it has a rib in the middle, to ftrengthen it as it were on both fides, which does not appear in the type of that in the Archæologia; two, however, in Dr. Borlase's Anti-

quities of Cornwall are ribbed like this [b].

The use of these brazen instruments seems at present undetermined, it not being yet afcertained, whether they were deftined for military purposes (though I have seen them called Battle Axes [c] ), or for civil and domettic employments. Even you. Sir, who have fo ably and professedly discussed this matter, and taken fo much pains with the fubject, appear to leave it an undecided point at last [d]. I shall not therefore attempt to refume the confideration of this bufiness after you; but I hope I may venture to embrace this opportunity of making two or three general observations concerning these Celts, let the use of them be what it will, premifing, however, that the specimen, which gives occasion for the present letter, was found in company with the spiculum, or cuspis, marked B. in the plate, which with all certainty may be pronounced a military weapon, as it can be nothing else; and that Mr. Adam Wolsey the younger, of Matlock in Derbyshire, has a Celt, found near the same place A. D. 1787, at Blakelow in the parith of Ashover, with a spear head of flint, a military weapon also...

<sup>[6]</sup> Dr. Borlase, plate XXIV.

<sup>[4]</sup> See hereafter.

<sup>[</sup>d] Dr. Lort, Archæologia, vol. V. p. 106, & feq-

It has been remarked above, that the Celts were in general of brafs, and therefore it was prefumed by some gentlemen in Ireland that this in question was older than the invention of iron, and must of consequence be of most remote antiquity. But the position here laid down, that this Celt is older than the in-"vention of iron," is with me very questionable; since, though Hefiod and Lucretius, whose words need not be cited to you, do, by express testimony and affertion, corroborate this opinion, and the Arundel marbles state that iron was not invented till 186 years before the Trojan war [e], yet Holy Scripture informs us better, it being there related, that Tubal Cain was an instructor of every artificer in brass and iron [ f ]! There are also other passages of Scripture which tend to evince and confirm the use of iron in the world, in some parts of it at least, before the æra affigned by the marbles. So that it feems to come to this, that in Greece, according to Hefiod, brafs was known before iron, but that in other regions the case might be different. As to Lucretius, he, we have reason to think, only fpeaks the fentiments of the learned Greek, his predeceffor.

But the consequence which these gentlemen draw from their premisses is as infirm and fallacious as the premisses themselves. fince though brais should be admitted to be known in the world. generally speaking, before iron, it would not follow, that our Celt was prior in age to the invention of iron; for please to confider, every region of the globe did not produce iron, either in the ore or in the stone, and that in those places where it was

found.

<sup>[</sup>e] Dr. Borlase, p. 289, seq. Montfaucon, Antiq. IV. p. 37. It is mentioned accordingly by Homer, Il. d. 123, O. 15. The Daha and Chalybes were the first inventors. Amm. Marcell. xxii. c. 8.

<sup>[</sup>f] Genesis iv. 22. Montfaucon esteems iron to be as old as the world. IV. p. 37.

found, it might yet be scarce; so that the new metal, after discovery, might not be immediately brought into common and general use, but brass might continue to be employed for every purpose, long after iron was partially and imperfectly known [g]. All then that can be inferred and allowed is, that the Irifh Cells. of which we shall find hereafter several have been discovered, are only older than the introduction of iron there, and when that was no one can pretend to fay [b]; wherefore the refult is, that though their Celts are undoubtedly ancient, yet they may not rife to high in antiquity as fome at first have rashly concluded. but that it might require some time for the islanders to gain experience of the superior excellence of iron in point of hardness and duration, before they would entirely lay afide and abandon a metal fo long in use, and so much more plentiful, as we will suppose brass in this case to be, though so much more feeble and less efficient.

adly. It feems to be agreed among the learned and judicious, that the ancients, who made such common use of this soft metal, and we may say, for all purposes, had a method of tempering and hardening their brass [i], so as to make it more serviceable by carrying a sharper and more lasting edge. This, Sir, is a most reasonable supposition; and I have hardly a doubt but we could do the same at present, were we to attempt it, and had the like occasion and necessity for doing it that thry had. I therefore shall not scruple to assume, that the Celts were in-

<sup>[</sup>g] Dr. Borlase, p. 290. Gov. Pownall, Archæologia, III. p. 536. Mont-saucon, l. c.

<sup>[</sup>b] Quere, when iron was first known in England?

<sup>[</sup>i] Montfaucon, l. c. Mr. Hearne, Letter to Mr. Thorefby, in Leland's Itin, l. p. 135-138. Dr. Lort, l. c. p. 108. Gov. Pownall, l. c. p. 355.

fome manner improved and hardened by the very useful inven-

tion of the respective people that used them.

adly. The Celts, of which there a great variety, as may be feen in your plates, are not of Roman but of Celtic extraction, from whence, as reasonably may be presumed, the name, whoever first imposed it, was taken [k]. Mr. Lethieullier, though particularly attentive to this object, found but few specimens of this instrument in the Italian cabinets when he was in that country, and their virtuoli, he observed, looked upon those that appeared there as transalpine antiquities [1]. It is certain that they are not feen on the Trajan or Antonine pillar [m], nor do Vegetius and the rest of the Roman writers on the art military freak of, or describe any offensive weapons of the kind. And therefore, when any have been found in undoubted Roman stations, and accompanied even with Roman coins, &c. [n] we are obliged to suppose, either that they came thither by chance as the spoils of some British or Celtic enemy, or that they were the arms, or tools, of barbarian auxiliaries [o].

In regard now, on the other hand, to the Celta, whom, I prefume, we may also call Gauls and Britons, the Celts ' have been ' found in great numbers, as you inform us, in various parts of ' this island [p] (of Britain) and figured and described by various ' authors;' and this under our present consideration was dug up in Ireland, where, as seems to be allowed on all hands, the

Romans

<sup>[4]</sup> But see a different etymon, from calare, to engrave, in Dr. Borlase, p. 283, which, however, I do not approve.

<sup>[/]</sup> Dr. Borlase, p. 282.

<sup>[</sup>m] Idem, ibid.

<sup>[</sup>n] Idem, p. 281. [o] Idem, p. 283.

<sup>[</sup>p] See also Dr. Borlase, 1. c.

Romans never were fettled [q], and where, as in Tipperary [r], and Leitrim [s], to fay nothing of the Isle of Man [t], many implements of the kind have at times been found. It feems then, that one may fafely pronounce the Celts to have been either domestic tools, or warlike instruments, call them which you please, of the Britons, Ibernians, Celta, or Gauls. Sir James Ware terms that found in the county of Leitrin a military ax; but the piece before us has nothing of the nature of an ax, for were you to put a helve or handle to it, by means of the two grooves and the loop, you perhaps might make a working tool of it, but nothing like an ax; and the same may be said of all Celts of this form. However, the same learned author informs us, 'that ' the Irish horsemen were attended by servants on foot, commonly called Daltini, armed only with darts or javelins, to which thongs of leather were fastened wherewith to draw them back after they were east.' And afterwards, describing the Kerns, a species of the Irish military, 'These, he says, fought with darts or javelins to which a thong was fastened, ' fwords, and knives or skeyns.' If my specimen of the Cell be a military weapon, it was probably one of these darts or javelins, the looop on the fide being in appearance intended to receive fuch a thong as Sir James speaks of.

This, Sir, is all that needs be faid, and perhaps more than needs, on the figure A; fo I proceed to that marked B, an object of a very fingular kind, novel in appearance, and well deferving the attention of the curious. However, it is not

<sup>[4]</sup> Col. Vallancey, Gram. p. 2, Camden, col. 1315, and others.

<sup>[</sup>r] Dr. Lort, I. c.

<sup>[1]</sup> Sir James Ware, p. 161. edit. Harris.

<sup>[1]</sup> Idem, p. 217. It feems they were often found in this island. Vol. IX.

an easy matter, in my apprehension, to decypher it, or to give its proper name, and it is with the utmost diffidence that I attempt it. It is of brafs, as might be expected, fince Sir James Ware writes, 'As to the military arms of the more ancient Irish, it is past controversy that they were made of brass, and so were those of the ancient Greeks, Germans, and Britons [u]. It is fix inches long, and weighs at this time near three ounces, much too heavy to be thought the head of an arrow. It must therefore have been a weapon (for a military weapon undoubtedly it is) for casting or darting by the hand. This intention seems further evident from the nature of the focket, or the round hollow part, at the bottom, which being but 7 of an inch in diameter at its orifice, was incapable of receiving a shaft of much fubstance or strength, for pushing. A shaft, however, it certainly had; witness the existence of this socket, and the two holes opposite to each other at the distance of half an inch from the faid orifice, and apparently defigned for a rivet to connect and fasten the two members or parts of the instrument together. The length of its quondam shaft it is now impossible to discover; for though we should suppose, for once, the Roman Pilum and this Ibernian weapon to have been of the fame kind, (and some indeed have termed it a Pilum) yet this imagination will not affift us, fince the length of the Roman Pilum is far from being exactly ascertained, some of the ancients making it near two cubits long in the shaft, and the point o inches [x], and others 5 feet 6 inches [y]. I shall fay no more of a matter so uncertain.

[w] Antiq. of Ireland, p. 161.

[y] Vegetius, II. c. 15.

<sup>[</sup>x] Polybius, in Montfaucon, IV. p. 40.

The focket, or round hollow part, is outwardly less than ! of its length, and the rest, to the point, is quadrangular, to cut and penetrate the more eafily. And it is for the fame intention, I prefume, that two of the edges, opposite to each other, have ribs a little raifed, as is expressed in the drawing. This is a remarkable circumstance, as is also the quadrangular form itself; Vegetius observing, that the Roman Pilum, to compare it again with that, was only triangular [2], which indeed must have been a better shape for the purpose than this. Appian, however, in one place gives it a quadrangular form [a]. But whatever advantage our instrument might derive from its figure, it never could perforate a cuirass of almost any kind, the point is fo blunt, and to all appearance never was much sharper. It could only ferve against an unarmed foe, whether thrown or kept in hand. But in this respect our weapon differs very materially from the Pilum, the Acies or Spiculum of which was purposely made so flender and acute as to break in striking the the enemy, that so he could not make any use of the dart by throwing it back upon his affailant [b].

It has been noted above, that the Romans never established themselves in Ireland, if ever they invaded it; consequently, that it must appear unreasonable to expect to find any of their weapons there. This Cuspis indeed has been called a Pilum; but besides the prepossession against that idea just now mentioned, quære, whether the Pila, after Julius Cæsar's time, were

<sup>[</sup>z] Idem, 1. c. 20. II. c. 15.

<sup>[</sup>a] Appianus de Bello Gallico. p. 1191. edit. Tollij.

<sup>[</sup>b] See Horace ii. f. i. 14. and the Commentators Dacier and Baxter: also Polybius in Montsaucon, IV. p. 40, and Stewechius ad Vegetium, p. 42.

always made of iron [c]; and further, whether their heads did not always refemble those of their spears, from which they could only be distinguished by the shortness of their shafts. This is assuredly the case of those darts which are esteemed to

be Pila in Montfaucon [d].

The Romans, however, had a missive weapon called a Verutum, mentioned by Cæfar [e], Livy [f], Vegetius [g], and many other aucient authors, and thus described by Montfaucon: "The Verutum also was a kind of dart, which Polybius makes to be three cubits long; it was four fquare, and very much of the shape of a spit, from whence it borrowed its name, Veru being the Latin word for a spit [b].' This, you observe, Sir, had no barbs, and supposing our Cuspis once had a shaft of the same length it would accord perfectly with it. But still one cannot esteem the weapon in question to be a Roman Verutum, for the reasons above given, and because the Gauls, or Celtæ, used the Verutum as well as the Romans. This appears from that memorable story related by Julius Cæsar concerning the two valiant centurions, competitors for fame, Pultio and Varenus. The former, he fays, was embarraffed by a Gaulish Verutum sticking in his belt, (the Greek Version terms it Eugos) so that he could not readily draw his sword, but was relieved and faved by his rival Varenus, who afterwards was rescued.

<sup>[</sup>c] Compare Vegetius, l. c. 20. II. c. 15. Appian. de Bello Gall. I. c.

<sup>[</sup>d] Montfaucon, p. 13, 14, 15.

<sup>[</sup>f] Livy, X. 29.

<sup>[</sup>g] Vegetius, III. c. 14.

<sup>[</sup>b] Montf. IV. p. 41.

in his turn, from imminent danger by Pulsio [1]. I am of opinion, Sir, but it is only my opinion, that at last one may venture to call our warlike instrument a Celtic Verutum, as being used both in Gaul and in Ireland, and perhaps the only one of the kind hitherto discovered; but of this, you London gentlemen, who have better opportunities of viewing the remains of antiquity, and of consulting books, than I in this sequestered place can pretend to, are the best judges. The Celtie came into these western parts from the N. E. quarter of the globe, and there we find, what is very remarkable in the case, a people called Mosehe in the army of Xerxes, who used, according to Herodotus, just such a weapon as ours, viz. short shafts with long heads [k].

The learned begin now to think, that the Romans had a Celtic original [1], the same with our Ibernians, and therefore no wonder, the Verutum, with small differences and variations, should be a weapon common to both nations without copying one another. And thus, Sir, though the Romans might, after some years, think proper to abandon the Celt, a Celtic weapon, once but very anciently used by them, and none of these are ever now sound in Italy, yet the Verutum, another Celtic weapon, might be retained by them; consequently, and upon this state of the case, the Verutum, an instrument well known to and used by the Romans, might be found in West Meath, though

the Romans were never there.

<sup>[</sup>i] Cæfar, I. c.

<sup>[#]</sup> Herodotus, Polymn. c. 77.

<sup>[1]</sup> Col. Vallancey, Introd. to Irish Gram. passim. Pezron I. c. 19. il c. 1. Felloutier I. c. 10.

This address, Dear Sir, from an old acquaintance, and one indebted to you for many acts of friendship and regard, will not prove disagreeable, I hope, to you, who are running the same course of literature as myself.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient

Humble servant,

## SAMUEL PEGGE.

P. S. After this letter was written, Mr. Rooke, whom I had the pleasure of mentioning above, fignified to me that he had a Cuspis of the spear kind in his possession, found in the forest of Shirewood about the year 1777, and favoured me also with a drawing of it marked C in the plate. This, if it can be admitted that the Romans used brass for their Pila after Julius Cæfar's time, one would judge to be a Roman Pilum, from the sharpness of its point [m], the loops for a thong to draw it back, and the finallness of its orifice at the bottom, capable only of receiving a very flender shaft. But the most assonishing thing of this fort is the spear-head marked D, the property of Philip Gell of Hopton, Esq. in Derbyshire, by whose free permission Mr. Rooke has here reprefented it. It was found in a ground belonging to Mr. Gell at Middleton, a hamlet in the parish of Wirksworth, in Derbyshire, the beginning of May last, by a labourer, in openning a tumulus, or barrow, composed of

<sup>[</sup>m] This is formewhat obtuse in the drawing, the extremity having been broken off, and perhaps at the time it was thrown.

lime stone, the stone of the country. It lay on the natural ground, about the middle of the barrow, on the right hand of a skeleton which was pretty perfect. A spear head undoubtedly it is, for the three rivets, which are now loose, and turn round in their respective holes, were certainly intended to fasten it to its shaft; and the largeness of the orifice at the bottom, does as indubitably justify us in denominating it a true and proper spear; but whether it be a Roman or Celtic, that is, British, remain, must be left in suspense; to the latter, however, one would incline to give it, on account of its rudeness, and the singularity of the rivets.

X. Some Account of a Roman Road leading from Southampton by Chichester and Arundell, through Sussex and Surrey to London, so far as the same is found in Surrey. By William Bray, Esq. F. A. S.

Read Jan. 24, and 31, 1788.

THE most learned Antiquaries who have endeavoured to trace the four great roads supposed to have traversed this island in different directions, acknowledge themselves at a loss to find out that which is called the *Ermine* or *Erming* street. That it went from South to North is testified by some of our earliest writers [a], but various are the opinions as to the commencement of it.

Mr. Gale supposes it to begin at Southampton, and to go by Winchester, Silchester, Henley, and Colnbrook to London [6].

Dr. Salmon agrees that it begins at Southampton, and goes to Winchester, but to support a fancy of his own, that the *Pontes* of the Itinerary is near Dorking in Surry, he carries it from Winchester to Farnham, Guildford, and Dorking, and

<sup>[</sup>a] Henry of Huntingdon, Robert of Gloucester. A sketch of the four great roads taken from a MS. in the Cotton Library, and engraved in Gale's Essay at the end of the 6th volume of Leland's Itinerary.

<sup>[</sup>b] In the last named Essay.

from thence over Bansted downs to London. He says that the Roman road from Arundel to London salls into the Ermine-street at Dorking, though it is manifest that, according to his scheme, it would only cross it at that place [c].

Dr. Stukeley supposes the Erming-street to begin at Newhaven in Sussex; to go by East Grinsted, thence to the Stane-street in Ockley in Surry (between Arundell and Dorking) and thence by Croydon to London [d]. An inspection of a map will shew how strange a course this would be; but if the Dr. had known of the road which has lately been discovered near Lindsield in Sussex, in a direct line from New Shoreham on that coast, towards Croydon [e], and had made his Hermen-street (as he writes it) commence at New Shoreham, he might at least have been nearer the truth.

That there was a great road from Arundell on the South coast, which ran North and North-East, near Croydon, and by Stretham to London, is very certain, considerable remains of it being now visible in many places. This probably joined the former from New Shoreham about Croydon or Stretham; so that if either of them was in fact the Erming-street, it may still be doubted which of them is entitled to that name. The remains of the latter are, however, far the most considerable. In the parish of Ockley it has for two miles together supported the traffic of so many ages, though made in a deep clay, and is now the common road under the name of the Stane-street causeway [f]. This circumstance may perhaps savor a supposition that the

<sup>[</sup>c] New Survey, vol. I. p. 66, 67.

<sup>[</sup>d] Itin. Cur. I. 73.

<sup>[</sup>e] Gent. Mag. 1781. Ll. 306.

<sup>[</sup>f] Salmon in his Surrey, p. 110, 111, denies that this causeway is Roman work. This is too abfurd to need a confutation.

Erming-street is to be looked for here. The learned Selden intimates a suspicion that this Stane-street is a part of the Erming-street [g]; and though he says he decides nothing, a hint of his will have more weight than the positive affertions of some writers. Camden [h], Gale [i], and Horseley [k], agree that Woodcote near Croydon is the Noviomagus of the Itinerary. Horseley's map of the Watling-street from Dover to London, makes it divide at Vagniacæ (Northsleet); one branch going straight to London, the other to Noviomagus (Woodcote), and from thence by a short turn to London. As he has laid down no other road to or from Noviomagus, the reason for this diverticulum does not appear; but if we can trace a road from Regnum (Chichester) to Woodcote, which is a straight line, the fixing a station at that place will be readily accounted for, and there might be a communication between that and the Watling-street.

Horseley fixes the Regnum of the 7th Iter at Chichester, and speaks of two military ways which issue from it, one towards Southampton (Clausentum), the other the Stane-street, which he says in a note seems to fall almost perpendicular at London on the military way from Canterbury [/]. If this is so, we should have Southampton as the grand landing place, from whence issued the Ikeneld-street and the Erming-street; the former according to Mr. Willis's conjecture, as lately laid before this Society, going by Winchester, Marlborough, Cricklade, Cirencester, and Gloucester, through Warwick and Stafford shires to

[b] Camden, Brit. vol. I. p. 240.

<sup>[</sup>g] Note on the 16th long of Drayton's Polyolbion.

<sup>[</sup>i] Anton. Itin. p. 71.
[i] Brit. Rom. p. 424.

<sup>[4]</sup> Brit. Rom. p. 441.

Tynemouth [m], the latter by Arundell through Suffex and Surry to London, and thence through Hertfordshire [n] into the North.

However this may be, the road through Surrey has been hitherto fo impersectly described, that I will beg leave to lay before the Society such an account of it as my situation in the neighbourhood of a large and eminent portion of it has given me an opportunity to form; and I the rather do it at this time, as I am enabled to offer to their inspection some antiquities which have been found in that county, near different parts of its course.

The Celts are of brass, and were discovered in the last summer (1787) by some workmen who were digging stone in a manor belonging to Sir Frederick Evelyn of Wotton, Bart. on the Western edge of the parish of Dorking adjoining to the parish of Wotton, on a small hill called Coast-hill, consisting of a sandy gritt-stone. Near the top of this the men were removing the earth, which was 2 or 3 feet deep, to get at the materials beneath, when they struck on a hard stone of a different nature from the rock, and on taking it up they found that it covered the aperture of a round hole formed in the rock, of about a foot diameter, and in that hole were the two Celts now exhi-

<sup>[</sup>m] Archæologia, vol. VIII. p. 88. On confidering Mr. Willis's conjectures as to the Ikeneld-street going from Marlborough, by Cricklade, &c. and what Dr. Plott says of its going in a different course through Oxfordshire towards the country of the *Iceni* in the Eastern part of the kingdom, and weighing the evidence arising from the name being actually preserved in many places on both those roads, I am much inclined to believe that the great road, called the *Ikeneld-street*, began as Mr. Willis says at Southampton, but between Marlborough and Cricklade near Ogbourn divided into two branches, each so considerable as to retain the original denomination.

<sup>[#]</sup> Chauncey's Herts.

bited. Near it was fomething in the shape of a horse shoe, but on endeavouring to take it up, it crumbled entirely into dust, and they could not tell of what materials it was made. Near the hole was found the piece of copper which accompanies the Celts, and the workmen said they had found several other pieces like it, and also a brick or tile, but took no notice of them, and threw them by with the earth they were removing.

The white flint arrow head was found in a farm called Meriden, which adjoins to the North fide of Anftie camp (more particularly mentioned by and by) about a mile and half S. E. of Coast-hill. The farmer who has lived there many years fays he has found several others which have been since lost. This is preserved by Capt. Cornwall of Chart Park in Dorking, who on the 4th of Oct. 1787, found another white flint arrow head in Chart Park about 4 feet below the surface of the ground. Chart lies about a mile E. or N. E. of Anstie camp.

The two fibules are the property of Mr. Barnes of Riegate,

and were found at Warlingham near Croydon.

The edges of these Celts are so much worn as to countenance Dr. Lort's opinion of their being chissells, rather than weapons [a]; and from the lumps of copper sound near them, we may suppose that there was in this neighbourhood a surnace for making them.

Camden flightly mentions this road through Surrey in speaking of Ockley, observing that that parish is near the old military way of the Romans called Stone-street, and that it is the

[ ] Arch. vol. V. p. 108.

Aclea where Ethelwolf, fon of Egbert, engaged the Danish

army with fuccess [p].

What Bishop Gibson has added to this is only taken from Mr. Aubrey, for whose account of Surrey, meagre and inaccurate as it is, we are fill obliged to him, and we must be content with it till our very respectable member Mr. Manning can be prevailed on to favor the public with those collections which he has been long making, and which all lovers of topography earneftly wish to see.

Mr. Aubrey describes the Stane-street causeway thus:

"It is 10 yards broad, but in some places only 7; 2 miles " miles and a half, or 3 miles long. It runs from Belinfgate " to Belinghurst in Suffex, and so to Arundell. It goes through "Dorking church yard, which they find by digging graves. "This causeway is partly in Okeley parish. In winter 'tis ex-" tremely wet. It is made of flints and pebbles; but there " are no other flints nearer than 7 miles; and the pebbles are " fuch as are at the Beaches in Suffex, from whence the com-" mon people fay they were brought, and that it was made " by the Devil. It is a yard and half deep in stones, and runs " in a straight line. This way is found by making of ditches " between Stansteed and Dorking on the hills. It lies plainly " to be feen in ploughed fields in a farm called Monks, two " miles from hence South, and at Pulborough-heath, 7 miles " on this fide Arundell; and it is feen about Newington [q]. He fays that near the church at Ockley is "the mote and

" mole of the keep only remaining of a castle indifferently

<sup>[5]</sup> Ethelwolf and his fon Ethelbald, who commanded an army of West Saxons, defeated the Danes here with great flaughter, after their taking Canterbury and London in 851. Gibson's Sax. Chron. p. 74, 75.

<sup>[9]</sup> Surrey, vol. IV. 187.

"large; of which the tradition is that it was destroyed by the Danes, who planted their battering engines that threw it

" down at Berry-hill 2 miles hence."

He speaks of "a mountain called Homebury-bill in the parish of Dorking, near which (adjoining to the road from Dorking to Arundell) is a very great camp, double trenched and deep, containing by estimation to acres at the least. The inhabitants, he says, have no name for it."

He likewise observes that "over against the church of Dork"ing is a meadow, called Benham-castle meadow, in which
once stood a fortress destroyed by the Danes, of which nought
now remains but a large ditch. In a coppice called Blackbawes was another castle demolished at the same time, and
nothing now but the mote and some few bricks remain:
from this place to Mekylham, and from thence to Leatherhead, runs the great Roman road."

Salmon has added nothing to this except fome farther blunders and a denial, as mentioned before, that it is Roman work.

I have already observed that a Roman road has been traced from Southampton to Arundell. Between Arundell and the borders of Surrey, particularly about Billingshurst, it is found in a farm called Monks. It proceeds into Surrey, and is found in a farm culled Ruckmans; from whence it goes to Oakwoodhill, at the foot of which runs a stream, which is very small, except after heavy rains. Crossing this, a part of it, now 2 miles in length, called Stane-street causeway, goes through the parish of Ockley, descends the hill towards Dorking, leaving the turnpike road on the right, and is found in the farms called Buckenhill, Bear, Morehurst, and Kitlands (its course hitherto from Arundell or near it being all deep clay) from whence it

goes

goes very near a camp called Anflie, on the edge of a high hill, and is found in the woods, called Swyre woods, and points towards Dorking. It feems to be agreed that it went through the prefent churchyard of that place. From thence it pointed to a passage of the river Mole, where now stands a bridge called Burford-bridge, but where there was always an easy ford, except in time of floods; and which paffage, being amongst the fwallows, is often in a dry fummer without any water. On the further fide of the river here the left hand bank was partly pecked down a few years ago to widen the road, when I well remember feeing a layer of stones in it. From hence the course of it would lie over a hill called Juniper-hill in Mickleham (now covered with a fine plantation of trees formed by the late Sir Cecil Bisshop) and it would come out on Mickleham-downs. It is accordingly feen there in a ridge of confiderable extent, terminating at the entrance of a lane called Pebble-lane, which runs between Leatherhead on the left, and Hedley on the right. This lane feems to derive its name from the road. At the end of the lane, the right hand hedge stands on a bank which has much the appearance of a raifed ridge. The line directs you to the back of the late Lord Baltimore's park in Epsom, called Woodcote (which has sometimes been confounded with Woodcote near Croydon) out on Epsom downs, at the foot of the race courfe. There a large layer of flints has been very lately dug up for mending the roads, which feemed to me, as I rode by it, to have run in a straight line, and may well be supposed so have been part of this road; but I am not sufficiently informed to fay this with certainty.

I have fearched for, but have not been able fatisfactorily to recover, the track any further. However, after croffing the race ground, fome small tumuli are seen near the corner of the

inclosures. Near to the line is the feat of Mr. Buckle in Bansted, called Burrough. Mr. Manning, who has favored me with a fight of his notes, observes that this name implies a fort of some kind; that, after croffing the road from London to Riegate, at fome tumuli called Gally-bills, it passes to Woodcote, the Noviomagus of the Itinerary; that N. W. of this is a place called Barrows-hedges [r]; that in the neighbourhood of Woodcote, at Beddington, Carshalton, Wallington, and Woddens, a great number of remains of wells, buildings, &c. have been found; that, after leaving Beddington on the West, this street is supposed to have passed through Old Croydon; that it is visible on the West side of Broad Green, in a direct line Northward to Stretham, which evidently takes its name from it; that from Stretham it went towards the N. E. and having been joined, according to Gale, at the distance of about 2 miles from London-bridge, by one branch from Kingston, through Wimbleton on the West, and another (probably the Watling-street) from the E. took its course through Newington to London [s].

The passage of the river should seem to have been at the old ferry over to Westminster; the name of Stane-gate-lane being

still preserved there in Lambeth parish.

I have thought it best not to interrupt this account of the course of the road by making observations on several things which offer themselves in the way, but which are worthy of notice, and which I will here add. Instead of being 10, or even 7 yards over, its utmost breadth could hardly exceed 4, though

[1] South of this line on Walton heath Roman bricks, tiles, and other things were dug up about 17 years ago.

[.] I flould observe that Mr. Manning does not admit the opinion of this road being part of the Erming-street.

from various encroachments on it, it may not be easy to ascertain it exactly.

It feems truly extraordinary that this road through fo deep a country should ever have been deferted; yet it is a fact that in some places where the present road is in wet weather up to the horse's belly in clay, the hedge of an adjoining field stands on and incloses the old causeway, which the farmer ploughs up to sow his wheat on.

A little to the East of Stane-street causeway, near Ockley church, is the fite of what Aubrey calls the castle. It is a plot of ground about 50 yards fquare, which has been encompaffed by a ditch. To the right of this, there is a high bank extending therefrom to an oblong inclosure of 150 yards by 100, furrounded also by a ditch. The high bank here mentioned must be what Aubrey means by Berry-wood-bill. There are two hills of that name, the one about half a mile from this fpot, the other where Mr. Walter built his house, which is some miles off. It is unnecessary to observe that no annoyance could have been given in early times to the fortification at Ockley from either of these hills. The Rev. Mr. Woodrosse, rector of Ockley, has lately dug entirely through the caufeway in his glebe land to make a ditch, and found it about 4 feet and a half deep, formed of feveral rows of flints and other stones laid alternately and bedded in fand or very fine gravel; and laid with the utmost regularity and neatnefs. The flints must have been brought from the downs near Dorking, at least 7 miles distant from Ockley. If the other stones were brought, as has been conjectured, from the fea beach, they had a much longer journey.

When this road ascends the hill towards Dorking, it passes very near the foot of the camp which Aubrey says had no name, but which is well known by the name of Anstie. It manifestly Vol. IX.

takes its name from its fituation on the hear-rouge, i. e. the high-way. It is on the brink of a high hill which commands a most extensive view.

The shape is irregular according to the form of the ground. as appears by the plan now laid before the Society[t]. It contains near 12 acres, enclosed on the North and part of the East and West with a double ditch; a deep precipice on the South part of the West forming sufficient protection on those fides. The area was planted by the late Mr. Walter (who purchased the farm to which it belonged) about 25 years ago, with fir and many other forts of trees, leaving the center clear; with many walks up to it, and a walk round great part of the outfide. To the South fide is an extensive view over the Weald of Surrey and Suffex, to the South downs, which rife fo high as to intercept a fight of the sea. To the West, the prospect extends into Hants, and to the East into Kent. To the North is that range of hills which runs from Farnham through the whole county of Surrey into Kent, of which the point called Boxhill makes a conspicuous part. A large piece of water, called Yewd pond (belonging to his Grace the Duke of Norfolk) in-Newdegate, is feen to the East, with Riegate and many other places.

Three miles West of Anstie, on the South East declivity of another projecting hill, which also overlooks Sussex, but is parted from Anstie by a deep and wide valley, is the camp called Homebury hill, mentioned before. It lies on the borders of the parishes of Ockley, Ewhurst, and Sheire, contains about 9 acres,

<sup>[</sup>t] The plans of this and Homebury camp were drawn and engraved by Mr. James Edwards, for a work which he is now publishing in numbers, being a map and description of the road from London to Brighthelmstone, taking in a good deal of the adjacent country.

and is double ditched on the North and West sides, but single on the other; the E. W. and N. sides are nearly regular, as will appear by the plan; the S. runs out with the ground to a point.

These camps have been confounded together by Aubrey, whose erroneous account, as mentioned before, has been copied by Bishop Gibson; which is somewhat extraordinary, as he had communications from Sir John Evelyn, near whose house

both these camps are situate.

Between these camps is Leith bill; the prospect from which has been so often mentioned. It is more extensive than that from Anstie, and when the sun is in a proper position, the sea is discovered from it through an opening on the South downs. Mr. Hull, who had a good house on the side of the hill, built a tower in 1763 for the accommodation of those whose curiosity should lead them to the place, and I am told it is a sea mark. He was buried in it by his express desire, with an inscription to his memory on a mural tablet.

I am forry to add that so little regard has been shewn either to his memory, or to the public accommodation, that this tower is already become a ruin; the staircase, sloors and windows are entirely torn away; and the inscription in a great degree essaced.

As to Benham Cafile, and Black-bawes Cifile, mentioned by Aubrey, I never could find any trace of either of them.

In a farm near Westumble, between Dorking and Mickleham, a little to the North or N. W. of the course of this road, a number of brass coins of the lower empire were ploughed up by the farmer some years ago. Some of them are in my possession, but they are all so common as not to be worth exhibiting to the Society. The account given me by Mr. Barnes of Riegate of what was found on Walton-heath, as mentioned be-

fore in note [r] p. 104, is as follows.

On a heathy common called Walton heath, but lying partly in Banffed, and partly in Walton on the hill, there was in the middle of the heath a plot of ground containing about a quarter of an acre, which was green-fwerd, though all around it were brakes and heath. It was full of little hillocks, and appeared to be remains of foundations of some building. About the year 1772 a poor man had leave to build a cottage on this heath, and fixed on this fpot. He began to dig, but finding it full of broken tiles and other materials, which were troublefome to him, he left it, and began to work about 30 yards more to the East. Here he dug up many tiles, some of the fize and colour of common paving tiles; some of the colour of mud; fome red on the one fide and blue on the other; many others about 18 inches long and 12 wide, and near two thick. This being known, he was ordered to defift, and a member of this Society intended to have profecuted the enquiry in a careful manner, but unluckily nothing has been done about it. Many of the small tiles remained undisturbed; they seemed to be laid in mortar, and to have formed a flue; there appearing to have been two parallel walls only 6 inches afunder. Here were found feveral square trunks or pipes of baked clay of a dull red colour, which Mr. Barnes describes as being 5 inches and a half on each fide and 3 inches and an half in the clear within, of the thickness of our common tiles; the length he does not mention. Two fides of an imperfect one were rudely figured, but with a regular impression; the other sides were plain, and had in the middle of each an oblong hole little more than 2 inches wide. and

## Mr. BRAY on a Roman Road in Surrey.

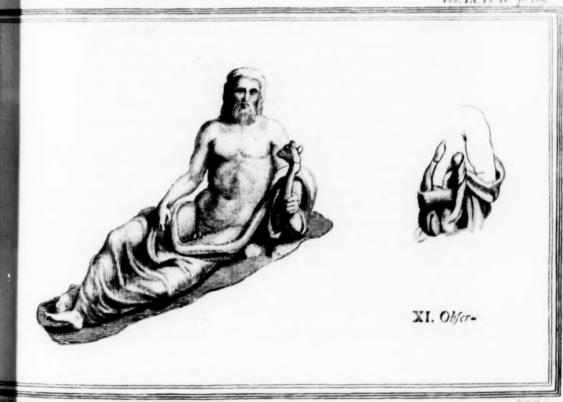
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and supposed to have been 6 inches long. The workman said it stood on one tile, and was covered with another, and was full of a blackish substance resembling powdered peat.

\*\* Mr. Bray exhibited one of the earthen trunks, and part of a figured tile mentioned in this paper, together with a brafs figure supposed of Esculapius, discovered in Surrey, but in what place Mr. Barnes had not informed him [u].

[u] See plate IV.

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XI. Observations on the Origin and Progress of Gothic Architecture, and on the Corporation of Free Masons supposed to be the Establishers of it as a regular Order. In a Letter from Gov. Pownall, to the Rev. Dr. Lort, V. P.

Read Feb. 14 and 21, 1788.

SIR,

Bath, Jan. 9, 1788.

The following paper collects and puts together some scattered historic traces of the architecture used in the transalpine parts of Europe, in order from thence to suggest a line of inquiry after the origin of that particular species of it, called the Gotbick; and also after the institution of that Collegium or corporation of Free-masons, whom I conceive to have been the first formers of this architecture into a regular and scientifick order, by applying the models and proportions of timber frame-work to building in stone.

When the Romans conquered, and held possession of our isle, they erected every fort of building and edifice of stone, or of a mixture of stone and brick; and universally built with the circular arch. The British learnt their arts from these masters. This art continued to be practised in Britain after it had been lost in France, by the ravages and desolation which the continent experienced. For when the cities of the Empire in Gaul, and the fortresses on the Rhine were destroyed, Constantius Chlorus A. D. 298. sent to Britain for, and employed, British architects in repairing and re-edifying them. By thus drawing off the British artists and mechanicks, and by the subsequent devas-

tation of the island, all use, practice, and knowledge of the Roman art were lost. The buildings erected then were either of whole logs, or of timber uprights wattled, such as at this very day in the North is called stud and mud. The Scotts appear to come forth amongst the first native architects of our isle, who invented the method of squareing the timber, and framing the fabrick; so as to apply it to large and publick edifices. This invention is expressly called the Scotish Order. Bede in his Ecclesistical History, lib. iii. cap. 25, says: "Finan Episcopus, natione Scottus, in insula Landissarnensi secit ecclesiam episcopali sede congruam, quam tamen more Scotorum, non de lapide, sed de robore setto totam composuit, atque arundine texit."

Although fuch was the state of the art of building amongst the native artists in England; and although it was no further advanced for many ages afterward in Saxony and Germany: yet wherever the Christian Missionaries sent from Rome came, they brought with them not only Religion but the mechanick arts, and many sciences, architecture, musick, painting, engraving in filver and copper, and working glass. Many amongst them had great merit, which hath been but little known, being loft in the demerit of the body. These were the resterers of the Roman order of architecture in stone. What buildings were erected by them, and under their direction, have been mistakenly called Saxon architecture. The monkish missionaries began very early, in the romp of their ambition, to erect large stone buildings, magnificent beyond the scale of the state and of the circumstances of the people. See what Ofwald [a] fays, complaining of those oftentatious edifices which the monks exulted in: " Ego longe aliter intelligo, quod nos miferi fanc-"torum opera destruimus, ut nobis laudem comparemus. Non " noverat ille cœtus pompatica construere edificia, sed sub quali712 Gov. POWNALL on the Origin of Gothic Architecture.

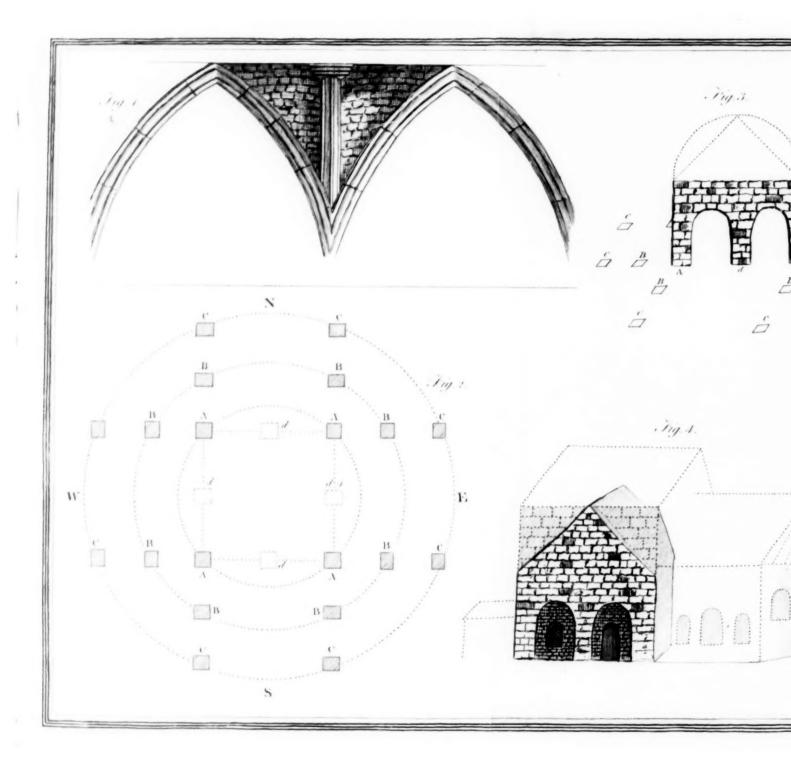
"cunque tecto, seipsos Deo immolare, & subjectos ad exemsupplied bonum attrahere. Nos è contra utimur, ut animorum
supplied service described in the service described in

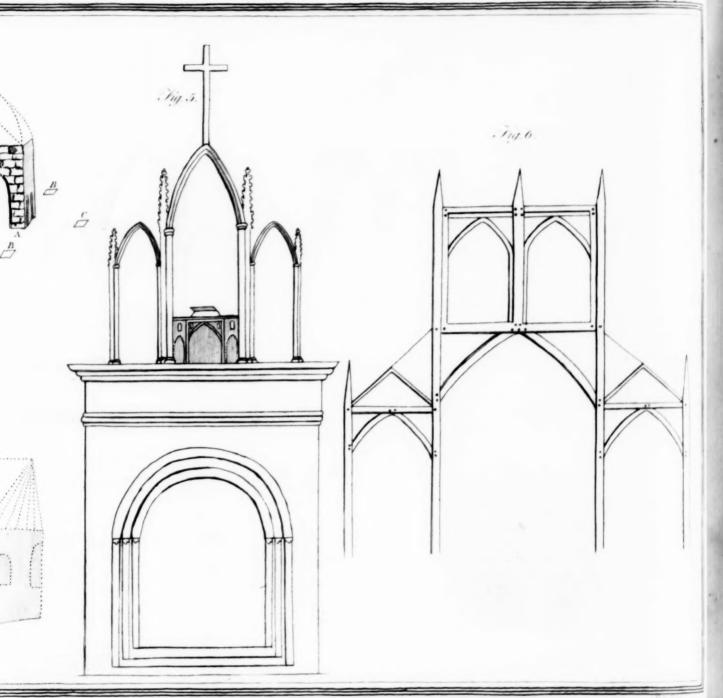
It is as repeatedly, as mention is made of the faints and bishops building churches, in the earliest times in this island, fo constantly said, that their buildings were the opus Romanum. It is expressly faid of St. Wilfrid, that he learnt his architecture at Rome, and built his church at Hagulsted after that model [b], and then it is added " neque ullam aliam domum citrà Altes montes ædificatam audivimus [c]." Eadmer, describing the difference of the old church at Canterbury, and the new one that was built after the destruction of the former, fays, "veterem ec-" clesiam Romanorum opere factam." Bede also " testatur hanc "Romanorum opere factam et ex quadam parte ad imitatio-" nem ecclesiæ Beati Apostolorum Principis Petri." churches built in the time of Alfred, who brought both the arts and artifts from Rome, particularly that at Oxford, were built with circular arches more Romano. I could purfue this in every building or parts of buildings which were built prior to the close of the 12th or commencement of the 13th century. First that they were built with circular arches; and next described as Opus Romanum, although the architects may have been in the latter part of the period Normans or English. Prior to this period feveral steps of advance in the art of architecture may be traced. In the earliest times they built with rough stone, afterward politis lapidibus. But this operation was done only with the adze where they worked in freestone. About the time of rebuilding the church at Canterbury, notice is taken of the introduction of the chifell. Gervafius in his Chronica, marking the

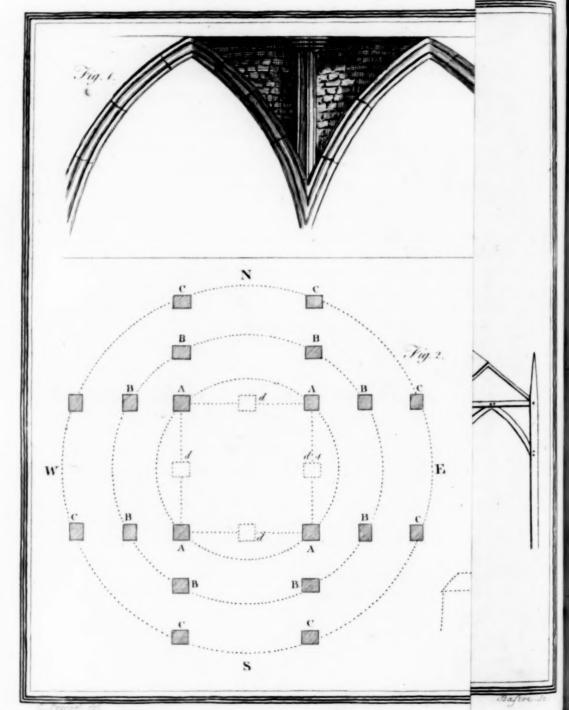
<sup>[</sup>b] Vide Richard Prior Hagulstadensis de statu ecclesiæ, lib. i. c. 3.

<sup>[</sup>c] Ib. c. 22.









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difference between the old work and the new, fays, " ibi arcus " et cætera omnia plana utpote sculpta secure & non scicello, hic " in omnibus fere sculptura idonea." And at the rebuilding of the church, "Willielmus Senouenfis, vir admodum fire-46 nuus, in ligno & lapide artifex subtilissimus, ad lapides for-46 mandos torneumata fecit valde ingeniose; formas quoque ad 44 lapides formandos his qui convenerant sculptoribus tra-" didit [d]." Here we have the turning machine and the modelled plains. This scientifick and ingenious architect was the first (I believe) who boldly attempted to work the ribbed and vaulted ceiling in stone and toph, in the same manner as hitherto the like vaulting or ceiling had been worked in wood. The vaulted wooden ceiling was formed by curved timbers tied at the key of the vault, where their arches feverally interfected, to a nave or head piece. These were the stiles or panes of the work: the curvilinear triangles between these were pannelled with plank or deal. This adventurous artist and great mechanick undertook to form arches of narrow ribbs of flone in the form of the timber fliles, and to support them at their common interfection by a key stone. He then pannelled up the curvilinear triangles with vaulted pannels of toph, which had nothing to support but itself: which vet pressing laterally equally on all fides upon the stone ribbed arches held them from swerving. To form an idea of this, turn your eye to the sketch I have drawn of this operation (Pl. VI. fig. 1.) and at the fame time confider what I here quote from Gervasius, of the old ceiling, and the new vaulted roof, "Hbi cœlum ligneum egregia pictura decoratum, " hic fornix ex lapide & tofo levi decenter composita est." In the course of working this, the frame work of the scasfolding. or center, on which the ribbed arches and vaulted pannels

[d] Chronicon Gervafii.

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were to be turned, failed and fell: and this meritorious but unfortunate artist was incurably hurt. His design was however taken up by an English architect, called also William, who successfully executed it. At this period also was introduced the mode of ornamenting the great impost-pillars with groups of small marble columns surrounding them. "Utrinque pilatios apposuit, quorum duos extremos in circuitu columnis marmoreis decoravit."

This, as far as I am able to afcertain so curious a fact, wasthe first instance of a stone vaulted ceiling worked after the model and proportions of timber frame work. I beg, Sir, that you
would be pleased to observe, that here first comes into use and
application THE PRINCIPLE which gave rise to, and upon which
afterwards was founded that species of architecture, reduced to
a regular order called, either from the timber frame which was
said to be more Teutonico, or by a nickname as being an order
of architecture used citra Alpes montes, the Gotbick.

If we would be informed what was really the Gothic architecture, let us go to Gothland itself: and examine the oldest publick building we can find there. The oldest stone church that we have any account of in that country is the church at Upfaël particularly described by Perinschoild as taking the foundations and uprights of the open Temple of Odin, or rather of the Conclavis facration of that Temple, for the imposts of its arches, which were circular more Romano. Be pleased to refer your eye to the fketch which I give from Peringschoild of this Temple (fig. 2.) you will find it, like our Druid, and the Scaldick Temples, confifting of a number of stones so disposed that the four interior AAAA, stand on the angles of a fquare, which a circle inscribes. The next eight B are so placed in the angles of an octagon that a concentral external circle inscribes them. The next eight C are in like manner placed in the angles of a like

a like octagon and inferibed by a concentral circle at the fame distance from the middle one as the middle one is from the interior one. These stones are so placed and disposed that they form four avenues to the conclavis facratior. In building the Christian church, after they had exorcifed by fire and other ceremonies the Pagan impurities, it was erected by taking the four stones AAAA as the principal corner imposts of the new edifice, and with a new impost in the middle of each fide dddd. building a square walled edifice as in fig. 3. This Temple of Odin is mentioned by many authors as plated with gold, and having a golden cornice. "Postremò hoc templum ejusque " numina, atque pretiofos thesauros, auctis Christianæ re-" ligionis incrementis, violavit Stenkilli regis fuccessor Ingo, qui 44 alio nomine vocabatur Ingemundus. Is enim templo magnifica " detraxit ornamenta, crematifque idolis, lucus, virentefque arbores succidit. Ita tunc effectum ut sublato sædo cultu. " murusque simplicior quadratæ formæ retundo fornice arcuatus " remanferit, in longitudinem ad xxIV cubitos extenfus, xxV " ulnos latitudine complectabatur, octo columnis innixus (fig. 3.) " porticibus et patentibus offiis." This church underwent various chances and changes; but in all these the vaults of the arches of the doors and windows were circular. " Hoc fane " modo basi veteris templi paganici sustentata fabrica, ex rudi " lapide erecta basilica ad justum deinde fastigium perducta est. "Hæc verò nova moles suas etiam passa est vicissitudines." This church in the year MCXXXVIII was further improved. " Hujus templi paganici relictam structuræ superficiem, accres-" cente indies Christiano cultu, de novo instaurari curavit Suercherus 1mus juxta formam, quâ constructa minora illa templa "Anglorum, addito privilegio & juribus cathedralis ecclefiæ. " Nimirum hujus regis factum industria ut destructis anterio"ribus aulis Fyrensibus, templi parietes conjungi curavit, cum
"areâ trium paganicorum numinum, postquam igne jam ante
"diù illud purgaverat Ingo. Tum verò arcuatus ille porticus
"atque patentia antehac ostia calce lapidibusque obstruebantur
"(vide fig. 4.) columna illà medià (d 4) quæ orientem spectabat
"penitus sublatà, lateris illius para novo muro validiore re"fecta est, addito etiam fornicato muro mediocri quo sacelli F
"(vide fig. 4.) vel adyti sustentaretur moles. Quin & vetusti
"illius muri quadrati rudera nova lapidum structurà supernè
"elevata sunt." To understand this latter part see the additional parts drawn with dotted lines on sig. 4. Here may be
seen if you please to trace it down to the sisteenth century that
this church in all its vicissitudes and restorations had the vault
circular as also the tops of the doors and windows; which is decisive as to the architecture used and practised in Gothland.

All the ancient stone churches built in consequence of the conversions made by the Roman missionaries were thus built with simple circular arches more & opere Romano. This species of building, the same in Gothland as in England, practifed down to the tenth, eleventh, and twelsth centuries, has been generally referred to as Saxon, and commonly so called.

During these periods the architecture executed in timber frame work, was in the North in general, used in the publick, tivil, as well as private and domestick edifices. It was advanced to great persection, and became capable of being highly ornamented in its way; and this species of architecture you shall see was faid to be more Teutonico.

This model of building in frame work with high pointed arches, formed by the interfections of the timbers, and especially of an high arch between two lesser ones, is specifically described by Stubbs, in his Actus Pontificum Eboracensum, art. Alured. "Supra oflium chori, are & auro opereque incompa-

" rabili

" rabili pulpitum fabricari fecit: & ex utraque parte pulpiti arcus: & in medio supra pulpitum, arcum eminentiorem, crucem in summitate gestantem, similiter ex ære, auro, & argento opere Teutonico fabricatam erexit." (vide sig. 5.) Here is the first, and as sar as I can find, the only mention made of the Teutonic order expressly described as a sabrication of frame work.

Examine, if you please, the sketch (sig. 6.) of a frame work timber building; and then, recollecting what was designed by Willielmus Senonensis, and executed by Willielmus Anglus, viz. the forming stone ribbs for the arches in the place of the timbers, be pleased to apply this manner of working in stone to the building up a front to this frame work edifice; and you discern the true origin of that order of architecture afterwards called Gothic, either as it imitated in stone the frame work timber fabrications which had been long called the Teutonic, or that it was a model of building adopted for an architecture citrà montes Alpes, as tramontain or Gothick.

Now let us fee, if we can make out any thing by conjecture as to the introduction and application of this frame work model of fabrick to the building in stone. I have given a decided fact as to the application of it, in the vaulting of the new Church of Canterbury as a first beginning in that instance only: and those who have been most curious in their researches on this point feem to agree that this very bold scientifick mode of building in stone came into use and application about the close of the 12th or commencement of the 13th century. The times of building the Gothick new-works coincide with this æra. A fact, which coincides with this period, offers itself to me, that, the churches throughout all the Northern parts of Europe being in a ruinous state, the Pope created several corporations of Roman or Italian architects and artists, with corporate powers

powers and exclusive privileges; particularly with a power of fetting by themselves the prices of their own work and labour, independent of the municipal laws of the country wherein they worked, according as Hiram had done by the corporations of architects and mechanicks which he fent to Soloman [e]. The Pope not only thus formed them into fuch a corporation, but is faid to have fent them (as exclusively appropriated), to repair and rebuild these churches and other religious edifices. This body had a power of taking apprentices, and of admitting or accepting into their corporation approved masons. The common and usual appellation of this corporation in England was that of the free and accepted masons. It will be found that claiming to hold primarily and exclusively under the Pope, they assumed a right, as Free-masons, of being exempt from the regulations of the statutes of labourers, laws in England which made regulations for the price of labour: 2dly, in order to regulate these matters amongst themfelves as well as all matters respecting their corporation, they held general chapters and other congregations. Doing this they constantly refused obedience, and to conform themselves to these statutes, which regulated the price of the labour of all other labourers and mechanicks, although they were specifically mentioned therein. One might collect historical proofs of this, but as the fact stands upon record in our statute laws, I shall rest on that. These statutes of labourers were repeatedly renewed through feveral reigns down to Henry VI. and as repeatedly disobeyed by the Freemasons, untill in the 3d of Henry VI. an ordinance was by advice of the Lords, on the petition of the Commons, made, reciting the fact of the contumacious disobedience of these Free-matons, to the subversion of all law, and the great detriment of the community, and stating the necessity

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of applying a remedy, which remedy was the declaring this corporation illegal, and enacting that persons calling and holding these chapters or other congregations should be deemed selons: and all other masons assembling at such should be imprisoned, and pay sine and ransom at the will of the King.

That you may judge for yourfelf; and compare the fact with my reasoning upon it, I will here insert the statute at large in its original, 3 Hen. VI. 1424, cap. 1. "En primis come par " les annuels congregations & confederacies faite par les masons " en leur Generalz Chafitres affemblez, le bon cours et effect " des estatutes de laboreurs sont publiquement violez & disrom-" pez en subversion de la laye, & grevouse damage de le com-" mune, nostre seigneur le roi voillant en ceo cas pourvoir le re-" medie, par advis & affent susditz et à l'especial request des " ditz communes ait ordiné et establi que tieux chapitres et con-" gregations, ne soient desore tenuz, et si ascuns tielz soient 44 faitz, soient ceux, qi font faire assembler et tenir ceux chapîtres et congregations, fi ils soient convictz, adjugez pour felons; " et que tous les autres masons qui veignent as tielz chapitres " & congregations soient puniz par emprisonement de le corps. " & facent fyn et raunceon à la volonte du roi."

This statute ascertains these sacts; first, that this corporation held chapters and congregations, assuming, as to the regulating of their work and wages, to have a right to settle these matters by their own bye-laws. The statute declares this to be a subversion of the law of the land, and greivous damage to the community; secondly, it ascertains that this body of masons were a set of artists and mechanicks, the price of whose labour and work ought to be regulated by those statutes of labourers; thirdly, instead of dissolving this corporation, which would in effect have acknowledged it as legal prior to such dissolutions. It forbids all their chapters and other congregations to be held,

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and declares all person assembling or holding such to be selons: and that all other masons who attended such should be imprifoned, and pay fine and ransom at the will of the King.

This statute put an end to this body, and all its illegal chapters and pretences. It should seem, however, that societies of these masons met in mere clubs. Wherein continuing to obferve and practice some of their ceremonies which once had a reference to their institutions, and to the foundation of powers which no longer existed, and were scarcely understood, they only made fport to mock themselves, and by degrees their clubs or lodges funk into a mere foolish harmless mummery. In this very mummery, however, we may trace the tenor of the preamble of their charter, reciting the precedent of Hiram's forming a body of Architects and Artifts, with corporate and exclufive powers, especially with that of regulating, within their own body, the prices of their labour; which Solomon [f] agreed to abide by, when they were fent to affift him in building the House of the Lord. On this Scripture precedent so recited, the Pope by his charter, diploma, or bull, formed the Free-masons (whom he fends into the Northern parts to affift in repairing and building the Churches there) into a corporation holding of his Holiness with corporate powers to regulate their own body. and as to the fetting and regulating their own prices, with powers exclusive of the municipal laws of the countries into which they were fent. I can eafily suppose that they, by a natural and flattering error, mistook the recital of this precedent, for the record of a fact in the history of their Society, as existing in the time of Solomon, and being the Builders of the Temple: which supposed and assumed fact is now intervoven with, and makes part of the prefent mummery. It ought, however, to

be mentioned to their honor that when these clubs were instituted in lieu of their chapters, &c. they formed a laudable Brotherhood of charity, which hath continued to this day with great exertions of benevolence to the Brotherhood, on many occasions, in different countries, even towards prisoners in war, without distinction of nation or any other circumstance but that of their being brother Masons: and in our country we find the same spirit exerting itself in a very benevolent institution.

As I write at this place from some notes and mere memorandums, I cannot as I would wish quote my authorities; but my notes and memorandums inform me that this corporation was established about the time of the early parts of the reign of Henry III. of England. The Gothic architecture, or Teutonic executing in stone this particular mode of architecture used cirrà Alpes montes, came forward into practice as a regular established order about the same time. Does not your mind here almost irresistibly refer the invention and introduction of this bold and very highly scientistick order of architecture to these chosen and selected artists who have shown themselves, in repeated instances, great mathematicians and persectly experienced mechanicks; and who on assured principles of science executed some of the boldest and most attonishing works which were ever erected by man?

The more closely, and step by step, you trace the timbers of old frame-work fabricks, especially some of the most curious in Germany; the more you study their models and proportions, and then with a like spirit of investigation in the direct line of science examine the models and proportions of the Gothic architecture, the more decidedly you will form an opinion even on conviction that this Gothick order is formed precisely by the adopting the models and the proportions of frame-work timber sabricks erected more Teutonico, and by transferring them to the

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working in stone; and if you pursue this in the ornaments, it will strike you still more forcibly.

As some people have without the least soundation, and directly contrary to all the exemplars in fact, supposed that the Gothick style and order of architecture was brought from Palestine and Turkey by persons who served in the Crusadoes: it may be proper, and I am sure will be sufficient, to refer such to the Temple Churches, and to the Saracen or Moresco buildings in Venice, Spain, and even in many parts of England, all which are constructed with the circular arch. But the architecture of the buildings in Asia, Turkey, and Palestine, are of themselves a proof to the contrary.

Having thus entertained in my own mind this notion of the Gothick architecture: that the principle of it operated in the applying stone-work to the models and proportions of timber frame-work fabricks, which had long been held to be the mos Teutonicus: and that this corporation of Italian masons, though perhaps not the first who hazarded this bold attempt, for we have feen that Willielmus Senonenfis, near a century prior to their institution, had defigned it in the vaulting of the roof or cieling of the church of Canterbury, yet they were the first architects who reduced it to, and introduced it as, a regular order; having shown from incontrovertible record that they were in England a corporation of architects and masons, instituted by a foreign power, and, from the privileges of their foreign incorporation, claiming exemption from the statutes of labourers; and that this foreign jurisdiction, from which they derived and under which they claimed, was the Pope who created them by bull, diploma, or charter, about the close of the 12th or commencement of the 13th century; I was very follicitous to have inquiry and fearch made amongst the archives at Rome, whether it was not possible to find the record of this curious transaction

action and institution. The librarian of the Vatican was, in 1773, on my behalf applied to. He examined the archives deposited there; and after a long search said, "he could not find "the least traces of any fuch record." The head keeper of the archives, who has a very extensive knowledge in these matters, was next applied to, and his answer was the same. The Pope himself, in consequence of a conversation which the inquiries in my letter led to, interested himself in the inquiry; and with the utmost politeness ordered the most minute research to be made; but no discovery arose from it. I have inserted this, as I should have thought it illiberal, and an unfair state of the fact not to have mentioned it. I cannot, however, yet be perfuaded, but that fome record or copy of the diploma must be fomewhere buried at Rome, amidst some forgotten and unknown bundles or rolls. We know that fuch things have in fact happened in many inflances [g], and some the most important, with respect to our own records.

I could have drawn this letter into a long and particular detail of matters: yet as I do not mean to write a treatife, but only a letter of communication to you, and, if you think it may create an evening's amusement to our Society, as a communication submitted to their more accurate knowledge and judgment, I shall content myself with having thrown out my suggestions on the subject, and leave the rest to their or your improvement. I am, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

T. POWNALL.

[g] With respect to writs for election of members of the House of Commons much earlier than the commonly supposed date of the existence of that House. With respect also to the Firm of Rensuncing Allegiance to a soversign forseiting his right to that allegiance.

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SIR,

Bath, Jan. 27, 1788.

In addition to and illustration of my letter on the subject of Gothic architecture, I beg leave to add some curious extracts from the Church Registers of Lincoln, sent to me in 1775, by the late John Bradley, Esq. They give the dates of the several new works, as all these later improvements were called, added since the sirst erection, from time to time, to the sabrick of the Church of Lincoln. These dates agree nearly with the dates of the new works, so also called, added to the Church of Ely.

I am, Sir, &c.

T. POWNALL.

Copy of Mr. Bradley's Letter to Gov. Pownall.

SIR,

IN the refearches which, at your defire, I have made refpecting the repairing or building of parts of the Cathedral, I have made some discoveries which differ from those accounts which have been given to the publick: they are mistaken as to the time when the new work was begun and finished. The late Bishop of Carlisle, Dr. Lyttelton, conjectures that all was finished about 1283. Conjecturers are led into this mistake by supposing that the work was finished soon after King Henry Ill's Charter granted for enlarging the Church and Close. This was not so, as the following extracts will show.

1124. The Church was burnt down.

Bishop Alexander is, in the historical accounts given to the publick, said to have rebuilt it with an arched roof, for prevention of the like accidents. But John de Scalby, Canon

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Canon of Lincoln, and Bishop Dalderby's Register, and Secretary, says of Robert de Chesney (who succeeded Alexander) that he—" Primus Ecclesiam Voltis lapideis

" communivit."

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186. John de Scalby fays of Hugh the Burgundian, Bishop of Lincoln, that he—" fabricam ecclesiæ a fundamentis "construxit novam." This can relate only to alterations and repairs of the old Church, for the new East-end was not begun to be built till 120 years after.

1244-5: The great tower fell down and greatly damaged the Church. Very little was done to repair this difaster till

the time of Oliver Sutton, elected Bishop 1279. The first thing which he set about was extending the close wall, but not so far to the East as it now is, for it was, as will be seen, still further enlarged; and he asterwards compleatly repaired, in concurrence with the Dean and Chapter, the old Church; so that the whole was sinished,

painted, and white washed, after the year 1290. When this work was done, the great Tower was carried up no higher than to the part where the large windows begin; and where the bells now hang. The upper part was

with the other new work begun 16 years after.

Mason, to attend to and employ other masons under him, for the new work; at which time the new additional East-end, as well as the upper parts of the great tower, and of the transepts, were done. He contracted to do the plain work by measure, and the fine carved work and images by the day.

1313. The Dean and Chapter carried the close still further Eastward, fo as to enlarge the Canons houses and mansion,

your

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your old mansion, the chancellory and the other houses

at the East end of the minster yard.

hursh, finding that those who were entrusted to collect the money given by voluntary contribution, and legacies to the Church, detained the same, and were backward in their payments, published an Excommunication against all Offenders in this way which tended "in retardationem "fabrica."

1324. It may be collected, the whole was finished about 1324;

but this no where specified.

N. B. This new-work is all of the regular order of Gothick architecture, as I have supposed it to be finally established by the free masons. The rest of the Church is in part the Opus Romanum; and partly of the style of the first essays of the Gothick.

the high altar, the North and East parts as now standing, and the South was rebuilt after to make the North and South sides uniform. He was master of the fabrick; and the principal promoter of making the two stone arches under the West towers, and the vault of the high tower. And caused the statues of the Kings over the West great door to be placed there.

XII. A Letter from the Hon. Daines Barrington to the Rev. Dr. Lort, on the Origin of the Arms belonging to the two Honourable Societies of the Inner and Middle Temple; the Pegasus and the Holy Lamb.

Read Feb. 28, 1788.

DEAR SIR,

Inner Temple, Feb. 28, 1788.

HE question which you lately put to me with regard to the two societies of the Inner and Middle Temple having assumed so very different coats of arms, as the Pagan Pegasus, and the Holy Lamb, will occasion my troubling you with a rather long investigation of this matter, as well as some few observations on the origin and abolition of the Knights Templars.

The first Crusade took place in 1096. The several chiestains met at Constantinople (then capital of the Eastern Empire) in 1097; Antioch was surrendered to the Christian army in 1098,

and Jerusalem in the following year.

After these successes, Godsrey of Boulogne might have been King of Palestine; but though he declined that honour, yet it was supposed that the Christians had made so firm an establishment in this part of Asia, that many Europeans immediately conceived they had no bad chance of bettering their fortunes in this newly-acquired territory, whilst they had at the same time an opportunity of visiting the holy city.

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This produced the only two religious orders which were established in the Holy Land, the first of which were the Hospitallers [a] in 1113, who undertook the accommodation of pilgrims at their bospitium, or inn, whilst they resided in Jerusalem. As many, however, were attacked by the Saracens in their journey from Antioch, the second order, that of Templars [b], took place in 1188, who professed escorting the pilgrims to their good quarters with the Knights Hospitallers.

As these two orders therefore from the purposes of their institution were so interesting to the Christian world, it naturally tollowed that they were richly endowed from every part of Europe; the consequence of which was, that they quarrelled, but were at last persuaded to accommodate their differences by powerful mediation.

The Templars originally flyled themselves "Pauperes commi"litenes Christi et Templi Salomonis," and consisted at first
of only nine; the two principal of which were so poor [e], that
they were obliged to ride both on one horse, which was moreover fixed upon as a proper device for their seal.

<sup>[</sup>a] Afterwards Knights of Khodes, and now of Malta.

<sup>[</sup>b] So called because they built their monastery near the porch where the old Temple of Solomon was supposed to have stood.

<sup>[</sup>e] Hugo de Paganis and Godefridus de Sancto Odemaro. Matthew Paris.

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Their numbers however and riches foon increasing, and particularly in England [d], they were enabled to build in 1185 the West part of the Temple Church, which remains still entire, and may be deemed a handsome fabric. They probably had also the custody of the King's treasure; as King John drew upon them for 20,000 marks, and the Masters of the Temple [e] both in England and France were answerable for the produce of their revenues; whilst they had a Patriarch likewise in both countries [f], to take care of their concerns, besides another who was resident at Jerusalem.

In the midst of this prosperity they seem to have abandoned their original device of two armed Knights riding on one borse, as reminding them of their original poverty, in savour of another, which they probably deemed more honourable, as will be mentioned hereaster.

It is well known that the Templars were abolished during the reign of Edward II. whether justly or not is not for me to discuss at present; it seems indeed to have been intended [g] by the Kings of Europe to have taken possession of all their estates, but the council of Vienna would not permit these designs to take

<sup>[</sup>d] Both Henry II. and his Queen Eleanor direct their bodies to be buried in the Temple Church. Dugd. Monast. Henry II. left by his will 500 marks to the Templars (see Rymer's Foed.) and Henry III. was educated in the Temple by direction of the Earl of Pembroke. Petyt MSS, Inn. Temple I ibrary.

<sup>[</sup>e] This officer was so general in the different parts of Europe, that he was styled in the Eastern Empire, τεμπλυ μαιστωρ. See Du Fresne's Glossary of the Lower Greek; Benorum Militiæ Templi in Francia Magnus Magister. There was a Temple also in Paris. See Saint Foix's Essais sur les rues de Paris.

<sup>[</sup>f] The Bishop of Durham was so in the time of Edward 11. Rymer's Food.

<sup>[</sup>g] See a letter from Edward II. to his father-in-law Phillip de Bel, in the first year of his reign. Rymer's Foed.

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place, by directing that they should be given to the rival order

of the Hospitallers.

This took effect in England by the Statute of 17 Ed. II. the confequence of which was, that in the following reign the Hofpitallers granted the fite of the present Temple to certain professors of the common law, which had now become a regular study, as appears by the year-books stating the decisions of every term during the reigns of Edward II. and his successors [b].

What before this grant or lease was called the *Temple*, was situated in Holborn, and possibly extended to St. John's street, Clerkenwell, so named from its belonging to the Hospitallers [1]. On procuring this better situation the lawyers removed to the present Temple [k], which was originally divided into three, viz. *Inner*, *Middle*, and *Outer Temple*, each of these being thus termed from their position with regard to Temple Bar, the Western boundary of the City.

What went by the name of the Outer Temple confisted probably of lodgings for the fervants of the fociety, or perhaps an extraordinary influx of students, for we have no account of any proceedings in this inn of court. It was situated in Essex street, and to the Westward, which site was first purchased by a Bishop of Exeter, and afterwards by the Earl of Essex.

As for the other Temples, the Inner and Middle, they continue to be feminaries for the study of the common law, but

[i] Styled Hospitallers of St. John.

<sup>[</sup>b] Except from the 10th to the 17th of Edward III. which chafm however may be supplied from a MS. in the Library of the Inner Temple.

<sup>[\*]</sup> Thence called the New Temple. See Petyt MS. N° 17. press 5, shelf 5.—A grant of the office of Master of the Temple so late as 5 Eliz. styles him Magister, sive Custos, Novi Templi. Rymer's Foed. in anno.

were not divided as at present in the time of the poet Chaucer, (who was himself a member of the former) [/], as appears by the following lines:

" A manciple there was of the Temple,

" Of which all catours might taken ensemple."

Where in the first verse Temple is not only used in the singular, but must necessarily be so, in order to rhyme to the termination

of the second, ensemple.

Sir George Buc (in his Universities of London [m]) is of opinion, that this division took place in the reign of Henry VI. which agrees with a MS. in the Library of the Inner Temple [n], and is confirmed by Fortescue in his Treatise "de Laudibus legum Angliæ," written about that period of time. At least he states that these were then four principal inns of court, which is exactly the number at present if the two Temples are included; but if they are considered as making only one society, the number would be only three. Was it not for this authority of Fortescue, there seems to be presumptive proof that the two societies continued to be united till the reign of Henry VII. as in Dugdale's Origines no distinct officers are to be found till the 17th year of that reign.

The feparation (whenever it took place) probably arose from the two Societies becoming so numerous, that it was necessary they should be divided; for Fortescue informs us, that there were 200 students in each of the four principal inns of court, during the reign of Henry VI. who could not be maintained under £.28 per annum, even if they did not keep a servant, which seems to have been a necessary part of their establishment.

<sup>[1]</sup> See Dugdale's Origines Jurid.

<sup>[</sup>m] Commonly subjoined to Stowe's Chronicle.

<sup>[ 8]</sup> Before referred to.

They had also masters for music and dancing, which expensive education might well astonish us, was it not recollected that the two Universities were then chiefly seminaries for ecclesiastics, that the sons of gentlemen had no opportunities of becoming officers either in the royal fleet or army, nor do they seem to have taken to the line of church preferment.

The Inner Temple stands upon a much larger site than the Middle, and contains nearly 100 sets of chambers more than the sister society. Whether from this or what other reason does not appear, but in the 5th year of Queen Elizabeth the former assumed arms and a seal [0] by the suggestion of Master Gerard Leigh, an herald of that time, who was a member of this inn of court. The device was, "A Pegasus, Luna, on a field, "Argent [p]."

None of the Inns of court are corporations, and therefore the College of Heralds might have perhaps disputed their fixing upon any arms without their intervention: the societies of the law, however, had been so long established, and upon so liberal a socing, that the herald Master Leigh emblasoned their device by precious stones and planets [q], as being truly bonourable

focieties, according to their prefent style.

At the same time that Leigh suggested these rather singular arms to the Inner Temple, he proposed them as signifying that the knowledge acquired at this learned seminary would raise the professors of the law to the greatest honours, adding by way of motto,

## " Volat ad æthera virtus."

[0] The feal is affixed by the Treasurer of the Society to certificates chiefly of Members having been called to the bar, which are sometimes wanted by those who practise the law out of the four seas.

[p] See Petyt MS. before cited.

[q] Thus Gwillim emblasons the arms of Sir Edward Coke in the same manner, from the great respect which he says the chief justice deserved.

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Nor did he decline alluding to their progress in what are generally esteemed more liberal sciences, and therefore thought that Pegasus forming the sountain of Hippocrene by striking his hoof against a rock, was a proper emblem of the lawyers even becoming poets [r].

Here it may not be improper to observe, that the two fathers of English poetry, Chaucer and Gower, were both of the Inner Temple. Nor should it be forgot that this inn of court employed Sir James Thornhill (in Queen Ann's time) to decorate the East end of their hall with Pegasus forming the fountain of Hippocrene, while the Muses attend, and Mercury shews Pegasus the way to Heaven, in allusion to the before mentioned,

"Volat ad æthera virtus."

Garth indeed feems to think that the lawyers assumed too nuch by this connexion with the Muses, when he says,

- " Sooner shall glow-worms vie with Titan's beams,
- " Or Hare-court pump with Aganippe's streams [s].

To explain which last line, it is necessary to observe, that Hare-court is in the Inner Temple, and the pump there not failing in summer as most of the others do, it is chiefly resorted to by the inhabitants for water.

Garth however having probably feen this painting of Sir James Thornhill in the Inner Temple Hall [t], by which the lawyers from to conceive that the feminary might produce poets, was determined to aim a stroke at them, for alluding to such pretentions.

<sup>[</sup>r] "And furely the cost armour was at first appropriated to the noble So"ciety by reason of their affinity to the Muses, and the springs of Hippocrene
"and Aganippe arising from Pegasus's soot." Petyt MS. before cited.

<sup>[</sup>s] Dispensary.

<sup>[1]</sup> It is perhaps the best painting we have of the master.

Having now stated the time and reason of the laner Temple's having assumed the Pegasus for their arms, I shall proceed to do the same with regard to the sister society of the Middle Temple.

Sir George Buc, who was himself of this house, and professes the greatest veneration for it, informs us that the Inner Temple having pitched upon the Pegasus in the 5th year of Queen Elizabeth, he proposes more than 50 years afterwards (in 1615) two devices [u] for the Middle Temple, who at that time had neither arms, nor seal.

These devices were either, " two armed knights riding upon one borse, -or, a field Argent, charged with a cross Gules, and upon

the nombril thereof a Holy Lamb.

The first of these hath been already stated to be the original arms of the Knights Templars [x], and the second, what they afterwards seem to have assumed, when their revenues became so much more considerable than they were at the outset. Sir George Buc's authority for this is an illuminated MS. belonging to the Lord William Howard of Naworth, which contained the statutes of the order [y].

[u] Sir George was Master of the Revels, and appears to have been well werfed in blasonry, living much with the heralds of the time and particularly Camden. His Life of Richard III. is well known.

[x] See Matthew Paris, in additions.

[y] I can find no other account of these second arms having been assumed by the Knights Templars but in this illuminated MS. I conceive however that the Holy Lamb over the Middle Temple gate is not properly represented, as there is no nimbus to encircle it. That this is necessary, see Guillim's Heraldry and Prince's Devon, art. Rowe, it being a representation of Christ.

\*\* The Holy Lamb with its nimbus and banner appears as the feal of a deed dated 1273, whereby Guido de Foresta magister militiæ Templi in Anglia & fratres ejusdem militiæ leased out certain lands in Pampesworth, c. Camb. the rent to be paid domino Templi in Duxworth in the same county, in which last parish is still a manor called Temple manor. Round this seal is A SIGILLYM TEMPLI. Blomesield's MS. Collections for Cambridgeshire penes R. G.

As the Middle Temple therefore fixed upon these latter arms of the Knights Templars, it is clear they must have done so after Sir George Buc's publication in 1615, and consequently at least 53 years after the Inner Temple had assumed the Pegasus [2]. How soon indeed this suggestion of Sir George Buc was adopted, I cannot find with any accuracy, but Dugdale in his Origines Juridiciales (published in 1671) hath ascribed these arms to the Middle Temple.

There were formerly warm disputes between the two societies with regard to antiquity and precedence, which in the last century were carried so far, as to the priority of receiving the facrament from the Master of the Temple; and even so late as in 1736 both inns of court, upon a general call of serjeants, claimed the honour of walking last in the procession, which being referred to the Lord Chancellor and two chief justices, was determined in savour of the Inner Temple (at least upon that occasion) without prejudice to what might be surther urged on the part of the Middle Temple.

Soon after this reference, Mr. Dowman, then under-treasurer of that society, drew up an account relative to their usages and privileges, which dwells much upon the proof arising from the Middle Temple having pitched upon the arms of the Knights Templars, from whence is inferred their superior antiquity. It appears, however, from what I have before stated, that the Holy Lamb, &c. was merely assumed from the suggestion of Sir George Buc in 1615, and consequently 53 years at least

<sup>[2]</sup> It should seem from Sir George Bue likewise that Grays Inn had pitched upon their arms a little before 1615, and that Lincoln's Inn intended to retain the arms of the Earl of Lincoln, though Sir James Lea had proposed another device. I conclude from this, that the Treasurer's scal to certificates of admissions to the bar began to be wanted in the four great Inns of court, the Inner Temple having by many years taken the lead.

after the Inner Temple had fixed upon the Pegafus. At that time indeed, both, the two armed knights riding on one horse and the Holy Lamb were open to them, but the Inner Temple either did not know that thefe were the devices of the Knights Templars, who had been fo long abolished, or rather perhaps chose the Pegasus, as being fignificant of the honours which would follow a diligent study of the common law.

If other proofs were wanting of the precedence of the Inner Temple, the two following might perhaps be relied upon; the Inner Temple being first named in all instruments which relate to their mutual concerns, and the South fide of the Church being alloted to them, which feems to be the more dignified part, as to the best of my recollection the Bishop's throne is for placed in Cathedrals. Upon the entrance into a church also the South fide is to the right hand.

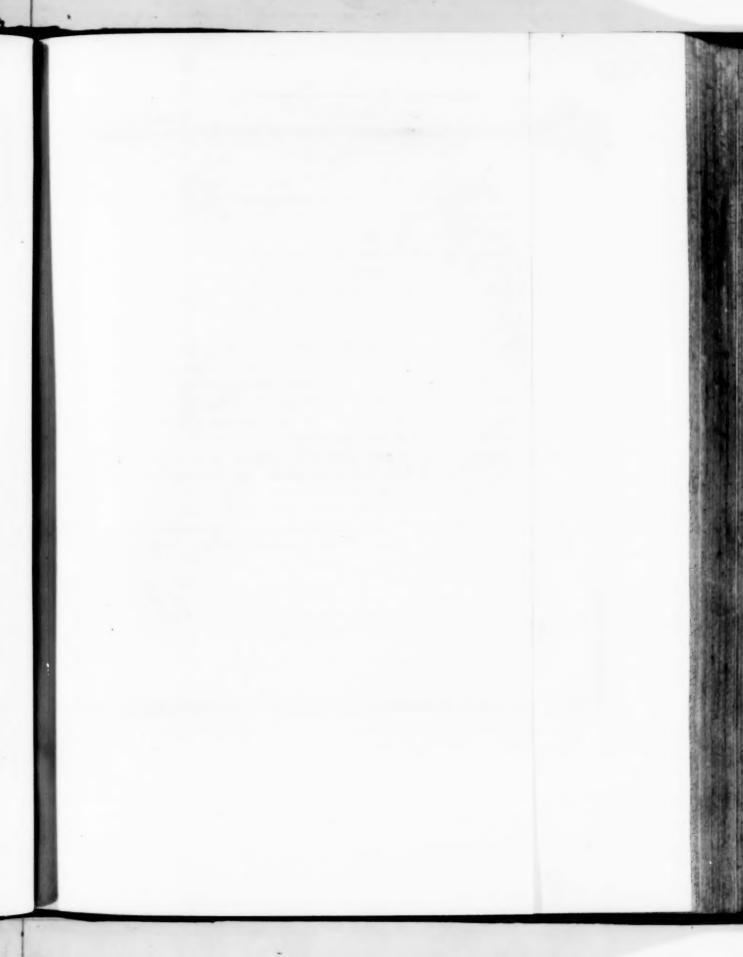
From the great good fense which prevails at present in relation to fuch trifling matters of dispute, as well as the perfect harmony which now subfifts between the two societies, I am confident that the liberty I have thus taken to shew that the Inner Temple hath always been the more confiderable inn of court, will not give offence to the other very learned and respectable society.

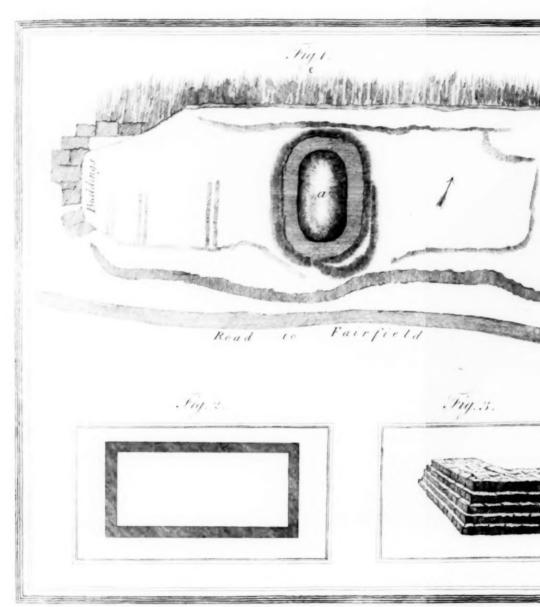
> Believe me, Dear Sir, Your most faithful. Humble fervant,

## DAINES BARRINGTON.

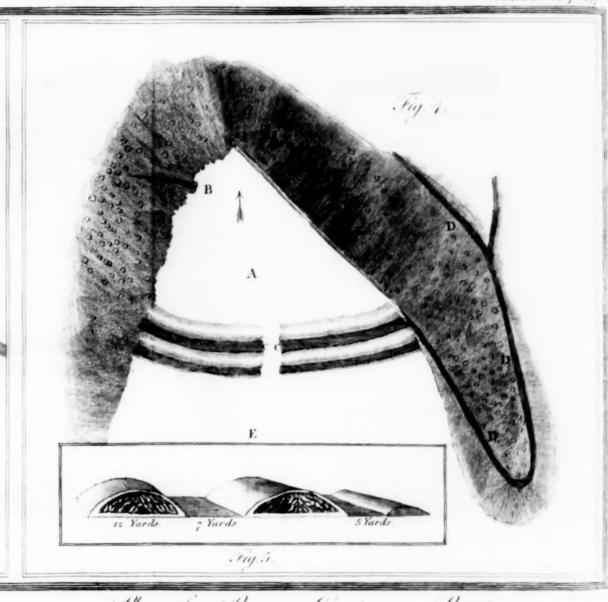
P. S. How the Pegafus became an ornament to Bishop Latimer's pulpit I am totally at a loss to form any conjecture. A pulpit so decorated might indeed have been very proper for a reader of the Inner Temple.

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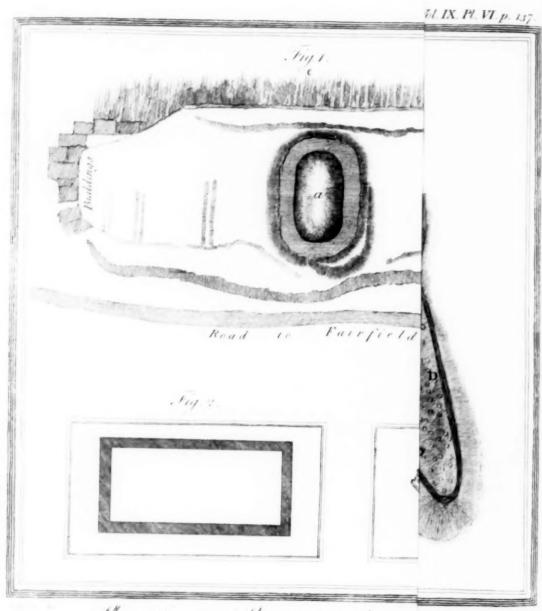




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XIII. Account of a Roman Building and Camp lately discovered at Buxton, in the County of Derby. In a Letter from Major Rooke to the Bishop of Carlisle, V. P.

Read March 6, 1788.

MY LORD,

Woodhoufe, Feb. 23, 1788.

I take the liberty of fending your lordship a short account of a little Roman building, the foundation of which I discovered last September at Buxton; with a plan and description of a Roman Camp. I am, very sincerely,

Your Lordship's most affectionate, and obliged, humble servant,

H. ROOKE.

On the hill facing the Crefcent little banks of earth have been thrown up; but as no regular form can now be made out, it is impossible to fay for what purpose they were intended. See the plan, Pl. vi. No. 1. In the centre at (a) was an oblong tumulus inclosed with a ditch and vallum; the ditch 3 yards wide; the vallum was not of equal height in every part. On opening Vol. IX.

this tumulus at the top, we found one foot of earth, which covered a body of stiff blue clay of about four feet, and which appeared to have been rammed in. Close to the ditch we difcovered a firong wall made without mortar, inclosing an oblong square 46 feet by 22 feet 6 inches. See plan, No 2. The construction of this wall is fimilar to that of the large room, or kitchen, in the villa urbana near Mansfield Woodhouse. From the foundation, on the outside only, were four off-sets; the infide of the wall was rough and irregular; which are proofs of its having been built against the above mentioned body of clay. See the construction of the wall No 3. The superstructure seems to have been built with large well-dreffed flones; as those now appear to be which are above the off-fets. Nothing was found in clearing out the clay but two or three nails, a fragment of a patera, and a piece a of tile with the fides raifed, exactly of the fame kind as those found in the Roman villa here.

If I might venture to give my opinion of this building, I should imagine from its shape and situation, it might have been a temple; probably dedicated to Apollo; one of whose attributes was healing. It is very natural to suppose, after the Romans had sound the salutary effects of the warm spring, (which they held facred) that they would erect a temple to some presiding deity. No situation could be better chosen for that purpose. The view is very extensive, and the hill, from this remple, slopes down at (e) about four score yards, in a direct line to St. Ann's well; near to which were sound, a sew years ago, the pavement of a Roman Bath, and other antiquities. The Rev. Mr. Pegge, in his perambulation of the lesser Roman roads in the county of Derby, called the Bath way [a], traces

<sup>[</sup>a] Roman roads through the Coritani, p. 10.

one to Buxton from Brough, which was undoubtedly a Roman flation, and where antiquities have been found. He mentions his having feen a rude buft of Apollo, and of another deity, in stone, that had been found in the fields there. This Roman road comes by Fairfield to Buxton, where it ends; and I was told by fome old men there, that it came to the hill above menti med, and there finished. Whilst the Romans frequented these baths, it is natural to suppose that they would take posfession of the heights and strong posts in the neighbourhood. Accordingly we find an exploratory camp on a high moor, called Combes Moss, about four miles from Buxton; which is feen from the hill where the temple flood. As this Roman work (which is called Ciflle dikes [b]) has never, I believe, hitherto. been taken notice of, I have given a plan of it at (A). Pl. VI. fig. 4. The South fide, which is on a level with the moor, is strongly fecured by a double ditch and vallum: here the entrance appears to have been. The East and West sides are inaccessible from a rocky declivity, which on the West side goes down to a brook from whence the camp was supplied with water, as appears by a passage cut through some rocks at (B). Length of the South end :63 yards. The East fide, where there is now a well, is about 162 yards; width of the inner ditch (C) 7 yards; and of the outward ditch 5 yards. (D) is a hollow way which goes winding to the camp with an easy ascent. The construction of the vallum (see the section E. fig. 5.) is different from any have ever feen; being formed of long stones placed diagonally. fo as to prefs inward towards the centre, and then covered with earth: the base of the vallum is 12 yards.

<sup>[</sup>b] Doctor Stukeley mentions a Roman Camp called Cafile dikes in Northamptonshire. Itinerarium Cutiosum, I. p. 114.

I had not time to examine the roads near this post, but that from Buxton to the camp is through Fairfield; where, most probably, the Roman road from the camp joined that to Brough.

I must here beg leave to acknowledge my obligations to Mr. Heaton, not only for his information of these Roman works near the Crescent, but for his politeness in reserving them for my inspection; the ground being intended to be planted and laid out in walks to compleat those elegant improvements, of public utility, carrying on by his Grace the Duke of Devonshire.

XIV. Observations on Ancient Painting in England. In a Letter from Gov. Pownall, to the Rev. Michael Lort, D. D. V. P. A. S.

Réad March 6 and 13, and April 3, 1788 ...

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Bath, Jan. 28, 1788. .

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A SI fend you inclosed a drawing of some of the figures in a the painted cieling of the Cathedral of Peterborough, which I sketched out, I will accompany my description of this cieling with some observations on the Art of Painting, as practised in early times of England.

Those who have written on the history of painting, date the rera of its present existence about the middle of the 13th century. That the spirit of it, as a patronised art in the Western parts of Europe, may have received its origin from the genius of Giovani Cimabué is a truth which is due to his merit: but if it be understood, as it is commonly told, it is a sable, instead of a sact in the history of man. Although the inundation of barbarism, in the latter ages of the Roman Empire, bore down before it, and overwhelmed every trace of cultured science and the arts; although the iron hand of war, and the heavier fron rod of go-

vernment, wherever it fettled, kept down oppressed every spring of genius; yet this was not univerfally the case either in time or place. Science, fuch as it was, and even the arts to a certain degree, flourished in the Eastern Empire. When that was destroyed, the exiled professors of them became the means and instruments of reviving them in the West. But even before this time, learning, and some arts, though palsied, yet held on a kind of dormant existence amidst the cloysters of the religionists. The arts although neither understood, fought after, nor employed in the world; yet made efforts of a kind of agency in the amusements and idle exertions of those who were separated from it. There were amongst the clergy, at all times, some genuine and original geniuses, who from their studies and labours derived upon human life both use and ornament. They exercised and taught in their missions, amongst the then rude inhabitants of these northern parts, the modes of agriculture; they were mechanicks, architects, and painters: they were muficians, and were employed as fuch in teaching and conducting the religious choirs; they defigned, superintended, and often executed the architecture of their religious edifices: and were employed in painting and ornamenting them. Hence it must of courfe arrive, that some original genius would now and then arife, who in these arts (whose merit lies in their originality) went beyond the deformity of them.

There is nothing in painting that the genins of one man, in the course of his single life, may not carry far towards the point of perfection, sooner than in any other art known in the world. I believe that in the history of man the fact is, that more eminent masters have shone forth as excellent in this art, from the originality of their own genius, working by the learning of their own study, and on their own experiments, than have been

trained

trained up by mechanical discipline and as scholars of a master. I might produce many early inflances, but I will content myfelf with giving one illustrious example in a period three hundred years prior to that which is fixed as the revival of the art of painting. St. Dunstan lived in the tenth century, and of him I read, that he was not only a great proficient and performer in musick; but that he was a master in drawing, and that he engraved and took impressions from gold, filver, brass, and iron : that he practifed fomething like printing. " Erat ita naturali " præditus ingenio, ut facile quamlibet rem acutiffime intelligeret, " firmissimè retineret, & quamvis aliis artibus magnificè polle-" ret, musicam tamen speciali quadam affectione vendicabat, " ficut David, pfalterium fumens, citheram percutiens, modu-" lans organa, cimbala tangens. Præterea manu aptus ad om-" nia, facere potuit picturam, litteras formare, scalpello imprimere " ex auro, argento, ære, & ferro [a]."

As you have in this genius an example of an artist; so if we look for exemplars of the arts, we find that in the eleventh century the wainfeet ciclings of our public buildings were ornamented with gilding and printings. Stubbs in his "Actus." Pontificum Enoracensium," speaking of the magnificent works of the Saxon archbishop Aldred, who filled the see of York at the time of the Conquest, says, "totam ecclesiam a presbyterio-" usque ad turrim, ab antecessore suo Kinsio constructam, su-" per us opere pictorio, quod calum vocant, auro multiformiter intermixto, mirabili arte construxit." The Chronica Gervassi, giving an account of the burning of the old Cathedral ata Canterbury, built by Lansranc, mention the calum egregie de-

of the old "ibi calum liqueum egregiá pictura decoratum."

Before I proceed more particularly to describe the cicling, which is the more immediate object of this letter, it will not be improper to explain some of the mechanic parts of the art, as practised here in England before that period to which the discovery of the art of painting in oil is ascribed. In doing this, I shall transcribe a quotation from the Hon. Mr. Walpole's Anecdotes of Painting, as I shall be able to explain it from an examination of some old painting made under my own eyes.

"Quia autem metuebant ne muri scissuris disfinderentur, hinc eosdem linteo, prius glutine mediante, induxerunt, de-

" superque applicito gypso, postmodo demum picturas suas effi-

" gurarunt, qui modus dici solet alla tempora, id est, tempe-" raturæ aquariæ. Hanc autem temperaturam ita præparabant:

" effracto prius ovo gallinaceo, in ejusdem liquore frondem

" teneram ficulneam de ficu juniore discutiebant: ubi è lacte

" istius frondis, eque vitello illa nascebatur temperatura: qua

" mediante postmodum, loco aquæ vel gummi vel draga-

" canthæ, colores suos subigebant, quibus dehinc opera sua per-

" ficerent [b]."

"I shall be told perhaps that this method was only used for painting on walls, but leaving out the plaister, I see nothing

" to hinder the same preparation from being used on board. Of

"what mixture Cimabue, the restorer of the art, made use, we are told by the same author, "Multague illius manu con-

44 fectæ non historiæ minus quam imagines, in tabulis ligneis,

.. colore ovis vel glutine temperato."

,[4] Sandrart Acciden Pict. p. 15, as quoted by Mr. Walpole.

The very old painting in Westminster Abbey which now (as a mere refuse bit of old board) forms the top of the case, wherein the wooden stuffed images of our ancient Kings (vulgarly called the ragged regiment) are kept, is of this kind. Mr. Patoun (whose name only to mention is sufficient when I am fpeaking of the science of colours) and myself examined this very ancient specimen. It is painted on a piece of pannelled wainfcotting, in different compartments. The painting in some of the compartments is covered with glass or tale, in other compartments coloured glass is laid over a foil to carry the appearance of precious stones, or at least of the fine marbles. The paint. ings that were so covered we did not disturb, they appeared to be miniatures of too much merit to be so destroyed. Those which were not fo guarded we did examine. They bore a pretty ftrong rubbing with a wet hankerchief. I pickt off some of the plaister, which was cracked, with the point of a knife; it crumbled betwixt my fingers like chalk: under this a coat of parchment was glued upon the board of a pannel. I had before examined the painting which forms the canopy of the monument of King Richard the Second. I found the painting on this to be of the fame composition, that is to fay painted on some compost of plaister laid on a pasteboard or parchment glued to the wainscot, and painted with fome temperature, which bore unimpaired the washing with a wet handerchief.

Since writing the above, I was informed by the late Sir Joseph Aylosse that there were in the Abbey other specimens of ancient painting on board, some whole-length sigures on the pannels of the tabernacles of an old monument standing on the South side of the altar, covered then with tapestry. I wished previous to the making this publick, that I could have an opportunity of examining these. This spring, 1775, the tapestry which covered Vol. IX.

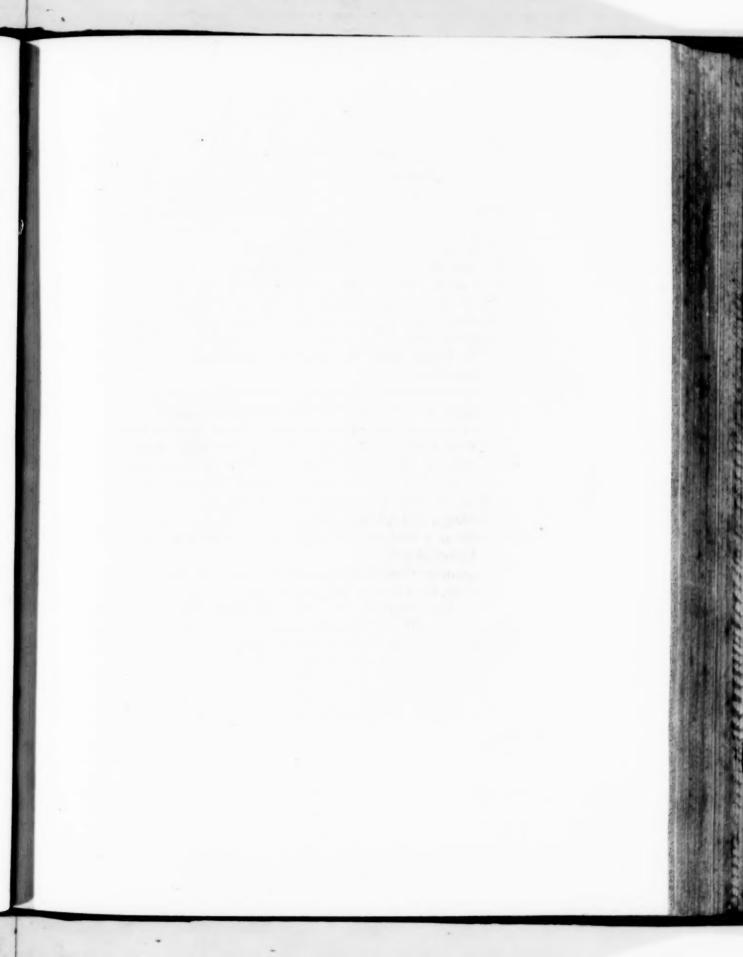
this monument being now taken down, for the repairing and beautifying the choir, the Bishop of Rochester very obligingly invited me to an examination and furvey of this monument. The painting we found to have been done on a thin coating of plaister laid on board, but without any fond of parchment. The painting flood firm against any washing with plain water. The Bishop proposed a trial with vinegar. The moment it was touched with vinegar the plaister dissolved, and the painting washed away. Mr. Basire was employed to make a drawing for the Society, which has fince been engraved in their " Monumenta Vetusta;" and Sir Joseph Aylosse has given the publick an account of this old monument.

The cieling of the Cathedral of Peterborough is faid to have been done at the time that the nave of the church was built, that is, at a period between 1177 and 1199. It is of wainfcot formed into three main compartments, running the whole length of the nave; a principal one along the middle, two leffer ones oneach fide. Each compartment is framed into panes and pannels in the form of lozenges and half lozenges. The fillets, mouldings, and rofetts, are gilt; a frett antique runs round the pannels as a bordure, and on the naked wood within this are the figures painted.

Beginning from the East end of the nave, and proceeding to the West, there is in the first pane or pannel a coat of arms; the bearing three otters and fish. The coat of arms of three otters without the fish is at this time borne by the Lutterells; it has allusion under the word Loutre to their name. This family came over with William of Normandy; and was at the Conquest, or foon after, fettled in these Eastern fenny parts of our Mand, and at Irnham in Lincolnshire. Their descendents

were perhaps benefactors to the Abbey.

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The fecond pane has, painted on it, a bad draught of the busto of Janus.

The third, a grotefque fancy figure.

The fourth, the lamb triumphant in death, bleeding into the holy chalice; an emblem of the Sacrament of the passion. I have annexed a drawing of this, Pl. VII. fig. 1.

In the fifth pane is exhibited the figure of St. Peter.

In the fixth one views an emblematic figure, characterifing the degeneracy and pride of the nobility, carried in full career by luft, in a fituation of infamy. This is exhibited by a monkey, the emblem of the human species degenerate, carrying on his paw an owl, in ridicule of the soolish pride of the nobility carrying on their fift a hawk as a mark of the privilege of nobility. This caricatura is riding on a goat. The goat, which is the emblem of luft, is running in full career, while the rider fits with his face to the tail, the known fettled position of infamy.

Figure 2 in the annexed plate is a sketch of it.

In the pane or pannel next to this is the portrait of St. Paul.

The eighth gives the portrait of a nobleman wearing a coronet.

The ninth bears the portrait of a mitred figure.

The tenth a female figure crowned.

The eleventh a mitred figure, and so on to the eighteenth inclusive, crowned and mitred figures alternately. These were, I suppose, compliments to the patrons of, and benefactors to, the work.

The nineteenth pane or pannel has painted on it the figure of an eagle.

The 20th pannel bears a fingular emblematic figure, of which a sketch is annexed (fig. 3). The figure is a woman riding in a self-moved cart. As Janus at the East end of the cieling may

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be supposed to have reference to the commencement of the year, so this sigure may be meant to represent the harvest dame, holding the harvest moon in her hand. I observed a peculiarity, that the hand of the woman which carries the moon is mustled in the drapery, the other hand and arm is bare.

The pannels in the two fide-compartments contain a strange mixture of figures, viz. fingers, minstrels, angels, and caricaturas. In the hands of the minstrels one observes several representations of the viol (fig. 4.) as used at this day in many parts of Europe; of the violin in a form nearly the same as used at present; of the dulcimer (fig. 5.) This figure playing on the instrument has it lying on her lap with the side A next to her, and the angle B towards her knees.

Other figures are playing on the mandoline; others on the

gui'ar. I have given a sketch of one of these (fig. 6.)

When I had learnt, as you will fee below, that this cieling had been in modern days repainted in oil, I suspended my opinion as to the precision of the forms of the musical instruments, lest they should have been modernized. I compared the draughts which I had made of them, with the forms of the musical instruments, which are in the hands of sigures sculptured in alto relievo in the tympana of the arches of the choir of angels, as the East end of Lincoln Cathedral has been called. Finding them to be the same exactly, I have ventured to give them as the instruments of that day.

In one of the pannels there is painted the Asinus ad Lyram. See the Plate (fig. 7.). In another there is an admirable caricatura of a musician, what the vulgar of this day would call Nosey, playing on a violin (fig. 8.) In another of the side-panals there is the figure of a woman riding in a four-wheeled

waggon.

waggon. Nothing particular in this figure struck me, so I did not copy it.

When I first viewed, and, on examination of this cieling, copied as above fome of the figures, I could not but observe the difference between the spirit of the drawing, and the wretched daubing of the colouring. I faw the strokes of genius in the one; and a total defect not only of the art of colouring, but of the knowledge of the disposition of light and shade in most of the paintings. I'did not then know a circumstance of which the Bishop of Peterborough upon my application to him, was so good to inform me from a particular inquiry which he made on the occasion (Aug. 1773). "He heard that the man, who " about thirty years ago was employed to repair the cieling, was still living. He fent for him, and learnt from him that the " whole was repainted in oil. He told his lordship that several " of the figures were intirely encrusted with dirt, but that upon " applying a fponge they became clear and bright, whence he concludes that the last coat was of oil. He was altogether of the fame opinion with what I had suggested, that the body of "the painting (under what he supposed to be the coat of oil) was " in distemper: parts came clear off from the wainfcot. He " affured his Lordship that he only retraced the figures, except 44 in one instance the third or fourth compartment from the West door, where the whole figure peeled off: in this single "inftance he followed his own fancy, having nothing elfe to " truft to, and even here he endeavoured to imitate the ftyle of the rest. The Bishop said, he has no doubt of his veracity." What this painter supposed to be a coating of oil because it relisted the sponge, I must suppose to have been a varnish. Both fize and other varnishes were known in the 12th century. But the discovery of an oil varnish, or the drying oils used in limning

limning was not, I believe, as yet brought forward. There are varnishes which will glaze over water-colours, without disturbing them. I have such. From this circumstance of painting, worked in water-colours and size, or rather varnish, resisting the operation of scouring, some ingenious and learned men are induced to conclude that what have been supposed to be size or water-colours, may really have been painted in oil, or at least glazed with an oil-varnish, known in England before the discovery made by Van-Eyck was introduced into this

country.

That the tempering colours with oil must have been known in the most distant ages back is clear from the painting with which ships were painted. Nothing but such a temperament could fland the wash and wear of the sea: and the fact that oil was used for tempering the colours used in that branch of painting called boufe-painting, I am able to afcertain by two uncontrovertible tellimonies. The first is for the first time brought forward to the publick by the Rev. Mr. Bentham of Ely. He had once told me the accounts of the expences of building the dome (called the new work) of the Cathedral of Ely were still existing amongst the archives of the church. I begged him to examine whether there were any articles relative to the painting, and more particularly as to oil and varnish. The articles which follow, and which establish a fact not before authentically known, the world is (1773) obliged to this induftrious, accurate, and learned antiquary for. I shall give them in the form as he fent them to me. They contain many other curious particulars, as to the materials used, viz. the article of canvas and parchment; glue, or fize, made of cuttings of leather; varnish; two forts of gold leaf; as well as the main article of oil for tempering the colours.

Excerpta

Excerpta quædam è Rotulis Comput. de Expensis & Receptis Sacristæ Eliensis, in Archivis Ecclesiæ Eliensis manentibus 1773.

In the Roll containing the Sacrist's annual expences from (1325, 16 Ed. II.) Michaelmas to Michaelmas following, is the charge under the title of Custos novi operis, & minut. res pro novo opere, viz. in 3 Iagenis & dimid. Olei pro ymaginibus super columnas depingend. 3s. 6d.

In the Sacrift's annual Roll of expences about the church from Michaelmas 8 Ed. III. (A. D. 1335.) to Michaelmas following, whilft the dome and lanthern were in building, are these charges made under the general title of "Custos novi" Operis," and particular title of Nova Pictura.

"In 80 lit. rubei plumbi empt. pro Volta novi Campa"nilis depingend. una cum 20 lit. rubei plumbi empt. pro
"codem, 165. 8d. Item, in 18 lit. rubei plumbi pro codem,
"3s. 9d. prec. lit. 2d. 1. In 20 lit. de Vernyz, emp. pro
"codem, 5s. prec. lib. 3d. Item, in 3 lit. de gold colour
"emp. ad idem, 2s. 2d.—Summa 27s. 7d."

In the Sacrist's annual roll of expences about the church from Michaelmas, 70 Ed. III. (1336) to Michaelmas 1337, under the title of "Custos Novi Operis, & Nova Pictura," viz. In 2 lip. de Vermilion, empt. 29d. Item, in  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lib. de Verdigrez emp. 25. 5d. In  $\frac{xx}{7}$  [c] 4 lip. albi plumbi empt. de Thoma de Bongeye 145 4d. prec. lib.  $1\frac{1}{4}d$ .

Item,  $\frac{xx}{7}$  4 lib. albi plumbi emp. de eodem, 12s. prec. 1d. In 13 lagenis Olei empt. de Thoma d' Elm 10s.  $3\frac{1}{2}d$ . prec. lagen. 10d. ob. In 6 lagenis Olei emp. de Thoma de Cheyk, 41. 11d. prec. lag. 10d.

In 28 lagen. & dimid. Olei empt. de Nich de Wickam, 26s. 1d.ob. prec. lagen, 11d. In dimid. lagen. Olei emp. 3d. In vas terren. pro oleo imponend. 4d. quad.

In 1 longa corda emp. pro le chapital deaurand, et columpn. depingend. 8d. Item, folut. Nicholao Pictori pro volta nova

dealband, in parte per 3 septimanas ad tasc. 3s. 6d.

Item, cuidam Pictori pro eodem 3 septimanas ad mensam domini 21d. In 6 cent. & 1 quarter, fol. argent. empt. de Radulpho de Golbeter 4s. 2d. prec. per cent. 8d. Item, solut. pro sol. auri sabricand. de slorent. domini 16s. in cavenas & parcamen. empt. pro mold. 9d. Item, solut. pro Magro. Will. Schank pro dictis voltis depingend. cum le chapital & le bocizdeaurand. ex conventione, £.10.

Summa, f. 14. 195. 2d.

In the same roll is this article under the title "Minut. res. "Item, dat. Johannis de Offincton querenti 1 Pictorem in patria sua, 35. 6d."

In the Sacrist's roll of annual expences about the church from Michaelmas, 13 Ed. III. (1339), to Michaelmas following are these charges made under the general title of "Custos novi" Operis," and the particular head of "Custos novæ Picturæ."

In 31 lagenis & dimid Olei empt. de quodam nomine de

Wicham pro color. temperand'. 21s. prec. lag. 8d.

In  $\frac{c}{13}$  [d] de Silverfol. emp. per vices de Radulpho de Golbeter & de aliis apud London ut patet per parcell. 6s. 9d. prec. C td. Item,  $\frac{c}{8}$  de Goldfyn empt. de eodem per vices ut patet per parcell. 32s. prec. C 4s. Item,  $\frac{c}{12}$  de Gold parti empt. de eodem, 36s. prec. C 3s. Item, 1 lib. de orpiment. empt. 6d. Item, in

[d] Thirteen Hundred.

" 3 quarter.

3 quarter. de Vermilion, empt. de Thoma de Hende 11d. Item, 4 Buss de Scrowes pro Cole inde faciend. 18d. Item. 1 lib. & dimid. albi plumbi empt. apud Cantabrig. 2s. 8d. Item, in 6 lib. de Virmilion empt. de Robert de Dokkyng, 5s. lib. 10d. In Cynopro empt. 16d. In 40 lib. de blaunk plumb. empt. de Will. de Elingham apud Lenn, 5s. 8d. prec. lib. 1 d. In stipend. Walteri Pictoris per 42 septimanas (quia stetit cum Domina de Clare per 10 septimanas) 28s. cap. per septiman. 8d. præter mensam et robam.

In the same Roll is this article under the head of "Minut. " res." Item, dat. Waltero Pictori ex curialitate Domini per vices, 4s.

In the Sacrist's annual Roll of expences about the church from Michaelmas, 15° anno Regis Ed. III. (1341) to Michaelmas following, under the title of minute expences, is this, "Dat. Waltero garcioni Pictoris, 4s." and under the head of "Aurum & Colores empt." these following articles, "In 600 auri empt. apud Lenn, 26s. prec. C. 4s. In C. auri empt. apud London 4s. In 1 quarter de Cynopro empt. 4s. In 3 lib. & quarter de Azure empt. 10s. 6d. prec. lib. 3s. In 3 lib. de Vermilion, 2s. 6d. prec. lib. 10d. In 8 lib. Coloris Auri 5s. 6d. prec. lib. 8d quad. 6 lib. de rub. plumb. 2s. prec. lib. 4d. In 6 lib. de Albo Vernich, 18d. prec. lib. 3d. In 2; lagenis Olei, empt. 2s. 2d."

"Excerpta è Rot. comput. Sacristæ Elien. a sesto St. Michael, 19 Ed. III. (1346) ad eundem sestum anno resoluto. Robertus Aylsham tune sachrista, sub tit. minut. expense cum pictura. In 600 soliis argent. empt. 6s. In 400 & dimid. soliis auri saciend. de proprio auro 4s. In 3 lib. de Cynopre empt. 3s. Vol. IX.

In 3 lit. de Azure empt. 71. 6d. In 1 lit. & quarter de Azure

empt. 101. In 7 lib. de Verneys, empt. 21d."

"Excerpta è Rotulo Comput. Custodis Capellæ B. Mariæ a sesso St. Michaelis, An. 24. Reg. Ed. III. per annos 4 sequentes. Sub titulo Custus Capelle. In oleo empt. pro picture faciend in capellà, 105. In albo plumbo empt, 65. 45. In Cynopre empt. 205. In Vermilion, 35. In auro empt. pro dict. pictur. £.9, Solut. Johanni Pictori pro Candelabris & Olietis pingendis, 105. Item, eidem Johanni Pictori pro 7 ymagin pingendis, 205. Sub tit. Robe. empt. Item, in 1 Robe empt. pro pictore, 85."

I have here given these extracts in all their detail, as they contain many and very curious articles of information in this

branch of painting.

First, it appears that all these belong to house-painting. It must be observed, however, that glue or size and canvas or parchment were used. That there were two sorts of varmsh, at common sale in the shops, the common fort, and a white varnish. These are articles distinct from the temperature of the colours in oil. That there were two forts of gold leaf, the gold syn, and gold parts, beside the gold colour. That the low wages of the painter are those of a common mechanick, not of an artist. On the subject of gowns given to them, I can observe from a picture of one Serrio, which I remember was painted on the vaulted roof of the North transept of Lincoln Cathedral (but now washed out), that he was represented in a long gown, with long sleeves, as a master in his art, and of a party colour.

The particular account of the painted cieling of the Cathedral of Peterborough, which was the original occasion and purport of this letter: and the consequent researches which this lead to;

will I believe give you a tolerable good account of the state of painting in England prior to the discovery of limning in oil by Van-Eyck.

I could here have gone into the state of the water colour pictures, which are to be met with in some of our most ancient manuscripts: some of which have great merit. I could have gone into some explanations of the illuminations which are in many of our manuscripts, and many of our public acts and charters, &c. but I do not consider these as English arts, or as

done by English artists in general.

This letter was originally written and communicated to our Society, and I believe a minute made of it in the year 1772; but thinking that the subject was capable of, and deserved much greater ecclair effements, I desired to recall my letter, and carried my researches, as appears in the additional particulars of this draught, much farther. I had also extracts from some of the old accounts of the master of the fabrick of Lincoln Cathedral; but they not coming up to the point I particularly looked to, I have not inserted them. (This letter has lain by me from that time to this, when coming to Bath I brought this amongst some other papers, the revising of which might fill up a vacant hour in the intervals of the amusing nothingness of this place.)

Some time after this letter was first draughted and communicated; and some time after I had received the very curious information communicated by Mr. Bentham; there was found in the Library of Trinity College, Cambridge, a manuscript, which, with permission, was published by the Sieur Raspe. This contains several matters of information on the art and practice of painting, and particularly, as I recollect, a receipt for the tempering of colours with oil; but as far as my recollection goes of

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1 6 Gov. Pownall on Painting in England.

the judgment I formed of this, this temperament went only to that branch of painting which I distinguish as house-painting, and postes & ofica, and not to limning.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient,

and most humble fervant,

T. POWNALL.

XV. Observations in Vindication of the Authenticity of the Parian Chronicle. By Richard Gough, E/q. Director.

Read April 3, 10, 17, 1788.

THE ingenious author of an 8vo volume just published [a], under the title of "the Parian Chronicle," has with much learning and diligence suggested his doubts, concerning the authenticity of that monument which the University of Oxford places at the head of her Collection of Marbles, having shewn it that respect ever since by the liberality of one of the noble family of Howard she became possest of that valuable Collection; the first which this country could boast for near a century, till the muniscence and taste of a private individual formed one equal to it in the capital.

That there have been spurious monuments obtruded on the public, both in the form of MSS, inscriptions, medals, &c. ever since curiosity after such articles has been awakened, is too notorious to be contradicted. Nor is it less notorious that through the skill and judgement of the learned the imposture has been detected, and the mask torn off before these sections had obtained a firm foundation. But that the charge of siction should apply to the Parian Chronicle, or that it should come under any of the

<sup>[</sup>a] Rev. Mr. Robertson, author of "an Introduction to Polite Literature, "1762;" and of "an Essay on Punctuation, 1785."

characters which constitute a forgery, seems so bold a conjecture that it merits the fullest examination.

With due deference to that learned body who in right of being possest of this monument should in strict propriety affert its claims to authenticity, at least if not to infallible accuracy, may I be permitted to submit to the Society of Antiquaries such a view of the present writer's doubts, and such a discussion of them, as is consistent with the candor and liberality which he professes in proposing them, and which it becomes every inquirer after truth, whether on the side of attack or defence, to conduct himself with. Perhaps partiality, which I have always been taught to cherish for this venerable monument, may cast a mist before my eyes, and conceal from me the force of the arguments alledged by the opponent or the respondent. Those learned members of the Society of Antiquaries, who have made classical Antiquity their particular study, will moderate between us.

Nor let it be objected, that the challenge was first taken up in the Gentleman's Magazine [b]. Applause is due to the man who takes up the defence of established opinions when called in question, whoever he be, or in whatever mode he gives the alarm, while he keeps within proper bounds. It is surely right to take alarm at novel opinions; and if the established ones cannot be supported, it is equally right to give them up. But it is not less justifiable to try the validity of our oldest creed by some standard of fair discussion. Few forgeries, whether literary or others, have been able to maintain themselves beyond a short period; and it is the glory of this age and nation to have contributed beyond any other to the detection of some of the grosses.

Let us then allow the arguments against the authenticity of the Parian Chronicle in their fullest extent, and try them fairly in the Court of Criticism.

It is much to be regretted, that no fac-simile of this marble has hitherto been published, as of the Marmor Sandvicense, that from Athens engraved by the Dilettanti, and others. I need not enlarge on the utility of such a copy, which sets the original before the eyes of every critic in his closet, and would be final in determining many essential points, which without it are rendered equivocal. There is only a single line of this Marble so engraved in Pl. VIII. of Part II. of the "Marmora Oxoniensia," p. 104. which our author has had copied.

He has given the whole Chronicle in small Greek types, with a Latin version below, followed by an English translation, illustrated with notes.

Chapter I. contains the history of this Marble, from its bringing to England. In the remaining chapters are stated at large the following doubts, which I shall transcribe from p. 53, and then proceed to examine them.

1. The characters have no certain or unequivocal marks of antiquity. The characters 17 and I are supposed to be the only which bear marks of antiquity, for the intermixture of small letters is not considered by Mr. R. as such a mark, neither does he admit the archaisms as one.

2. It is not probable that the Chronicle was engraved for private use.

3. It does not appear to have been engraved by public authority.

4. The Greek and Roman writers, for a long time after the date of this work, complain that they had no chronological account of the affairs of antient Greece.

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## 160 Mr. Gough's Vindication of the Parian Chronicle.

5. This Chronicle is not once mentioned by any writer of antiquity.

6. Some of the facts feem to have been taken from authors of a late date.

7. Parachronifins appear in fome of the epochas, which we can fearcely suppose a Greek chronologer in the 129th Olympiad would be liable to commit.

8. The hiftory of the discovery of the marbles is obscure and

unfatisfactory.

9. The literary world has frequently been imposed upon by spurious books and inscriptions; and therefore we should be extremely cautious with regard to what we receive under the name of venerable Antiquity.

Let us follow his objections in their order.

I. The period of time treated of in this Chronicle commences 1,82 years before the Christian æra, and is brought down to within 354 years of it; consequently the inscription must have been cut in some subsequent period. It cannot therefore rank with the Sigean, Amyclean, Nemean, Delian, Cyzicenean, or Sandwich; the latest of which precedes it by above 20 years. As to the Farnesian of Herodes Atticus, they are far too recent; and if, as good judges deem, they are a forgery, they are no test by which to try the Parian. The altar of Bacchus at Wilton, which Mr. Pegge [c] refers to 579. A. C. has the same letters. The provided with one leg shortened is found in many Assatic inscriptions [d].

But if we once admit that the form of the letters is no proof of the antiquity of the inscription, because the most antient charecters can be as easily counterfeited as those which compose our

Archeol. vol. I. p. 155.

<sup>[</sup>d] Chandler, Infc. Ant. p. 24.

for fuspicion.

The transcript of this inscription is given from that made in its present state, by Dr. Chandler, for the Marmora Oxoniensia, wherein the lacunæ are supplied by many happy conjectures. But as it is to be presumed the copy taken by Selden when the Marble sirst came over, or even from that by Prideaux 50 years after, approached nearer to exactness in proportion as the Marble was more perfect, the happiest subsequent conjecture must lose its value. And with regard to the first half of it we have only Selden's transcript to trust to.

What has been faid against the form of the letters applies equally to the Archaisms observable, though not uniformly, in this monument, if they appear on other marbles, and therefore must be adopted on this, to conceal the forgery; or, which is more extraordinary, if the authenticity of the other inscriptions wherein they appear is therefore to be questioned. This

is making a very controvertible use of an argument.

II. It is not easy to see why this inscription might not have been cut for private use, neither is the question at all affected by the determination: for many a public monument has been erected at the expence of a private citizen. As to the little stress that is to be laid on the inscribed monuments of the oldest antiquity they are not before us to speak for themselves, if there were no other foundation for the doubts entertained concerning them. The pillars of Seth and others may be rejected without involving in the same condemnation monuments of later date, and actually substituting. It is proving too much to make the siction of many inscriptions and MSS. apply to all, or to inser that because several of both forts have been forged (and the number cannot be

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proved to be great) therefore feveral more may or must be forged. If the chronological observations of the Babylonians were cut on bricks, the laws of Solon in wood, and a poem of Hesiod consisting of 128 lines on lead, and this too at a time when writing on different and more obvious materials was in use, what objection can there be to recording a series of events on blocks of marble, which, notwithstanding our author's suggestions, appears less liable to injury than metal? Brass or lead might be stolen to melt, or consumed by accidental fire; but in a series of events, during the lapse of near 20 centuries, since the probable making of the Parian monument, what accident besel it more satal than that of being brought from its own island to the polished capital of a cultivated nation?

III. But it is objected that it could not have been a public monument, because, 1°, the usual form directing its erection is wanting to denote that it was fet up by public authority. All the inflances alledged to prove this are purely honorary, not calculated to fanction a feries of chronological events, or an effav on a particular subject. The oldest marbles before referred to have not this title or introduction. It is not found at the head of the Sigean vote in favor of Antiochus in Chifhull [ /], nor in that letter of Seleucus Callinicus and his brother Antiochus Hierax reciting their presents to the temple of Apollo Didymæus, inscribed on stone against the wall of that temple, within 20 years of our Chronicle [g]. Neither of these inscriptions are mentioned by historians, which seems to be an effential requifite with the objector to the Parian marble. Regifters of benefactions, and of officers of temples, are not uncommon in the above temple and others [b]. See also the re-

<sup>[</sup>f] P. 50, and in the Appendix to Muratori's, Thefaurus, p. MMCXVIII.

<sup>[2]</sup> Chithull, p. 66.

<sup>[</sup>b] See the Ionian Antiquities.

the renewal of friendship between the cities of Hermione and and Asine in Sicily [k], the expenditure of Aristomenes on the Dionysiac games in Coreyra [l], and even the letter of Lyssmachus with his determination now at Oxford [m]. The survey of the works of the Temple of Minerva Polias at Athens [n], an account of pay issued to certain troops [o], a 3d and 4th recording the sacred treasures at Athens [p], older than the Sandwich marble. I might here mention the bass relief in the Farnese palace representing the history of Hercules, with inscriptions in verse and prose round it, which the learned Corsini [q], supposes to have been dedicated in some temple in Doris, Peloponnesus, or Argolis, and the work of the most flourishing period of Greece.

But it is farther objected that the Chronicle does not appear to have been "extracted from any public records, or calculated to answer the purpose of authentic documents." This, however, is more than has been made out. Monsieur Freret [r], who seems to have best understood this monument, observes that "the general and political history of Greece does not appear to have been the principal object of its author, whose design was rather to arrange in chronological order the notices necessary to assist in reading the poets, and ascertain the years of their birth and death, or at least of their greatest celebrity."

- [i] Chandler, Insc. Antiquæ, P. VI. 14.
- [k] Gori. Muratori, Devii.
- [/] Muratori, DexxxIII.
- [m] Marm. Ox. p. 38.
- [n] Chandler's Infcriptions, p. 37.
- [0] Ibid. p. 40.
- [p] Ibid, p. 41-47.
- [9] Corfini Herculis Quies & Expiatio. fol.
- [r] Mem. de l'Acad. des Infc. xxvi p. 165, 4°. xliv. p. 15, 12°.

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With this view he marks so carefully the kings of Athens from Cecrops to the abolition of that form of government, and relates several events in the history of those times; the establishment of the principal religious seasts at Athens, the introduction of different sorts of music into the hymns sung at these seasts, the first beginning of Tragedy and Comedy, the different theatrical victories of many poets and musicians. Among the 80 Epochs which remain there are sew that contain any other sacts, and they are almost always accompanied with circumstances of little importance in the history of literature, and on some occasions it is not easy to determine whether the date refers to the sact in general, or in literary history."

M. Freret accounts for his filence as to the affairs of Peloponnefus even in his particular object by supposing that this was exprest in the inscription at Sicyon mentioned by Plutarch [s] after Heraclides Ponticus, the chronology of which was regulated by the times of office of the priestesses of Juno at Argos, which method of computation was followed by Xenophon and Thucydides in their histories. On this inscription the æra of celebrity of the most famous poets and mulicians was expressly marked, with the date of their victories. The authority of the Parian Chronicle may be fufficient for the history of the heroic times, being the only one that remains somewhat entire of all that the antients published. We have only fragments of the canons of Apollodorus, Eratosthenes, and Thrasyllus in Clemens Alexandrinus, and what we find on this part of antient history in Eusebius agrees with the Parian Chronicle in general. The epoch of the taking of Troy is that which separates the beroic from the bistoric times, and its date is most controverted among the antient Chropologers. On this epoch there is the greatest variation. The

authority of the Chronicle may be fufficient for literary history; however the dates are not always free from error or chronological perplexity. But it has not the same degree of authority for the general and political history of Greece. It exhibits only the opinion of a particular critic. Its calculation may serve to explain and supply the chronology of original historians, and the writers who represent them; but if they contradict these, they are not of sufficient authority by themselves to overthrow them. We ought always to be on our guard against dates express in numerals, which may be incorrectly cut, or have been missead by Selden and Young, who had only characters half effaced.

Thus much for M. Freret's fentiments on the Chronicle in general. I forbear to take up time in transcribing his examination of particular epochs; but shall content myself with referring to his Memoire in the XXVIth. vol. of the Memoires de l'Academie des Inscriptions, &c. p. 157 and 209, 4°. or XLIV. 1—110, 12°.

The above may be admitted as an answer to the objections founded on the omission of facts and events relative to Paros in the Parian Chronicle, which is too general to admit them, not being a table of governors of that island, as the Amyclean or Sicyonian inscription are lists of preistesses of Apollo and Juno. Nor is there a single event of those recited by our critic of moment sufficient to entitle it to a place in this record. The siege and taking of it by Hercules in resentment for the death of two of his companions in his expedition against the Amazons; the story of Minos being engaged in a facristice to the Graces in this island, and throwing away his crown and pipe on hearing of the death of his son Androgeus, whence it became a custom ever after at Paros to facristice to the Graces without crowns or pipes [t]; the unsuccessful siege of Paros by Miltiades; the exaction of tribute from it by Themistocles; its reduction by Lysander, and

again by Conon; the peopling from hence an island of the same name in the Adriatic; the feveral times at which with the rest of the Cyclades it joined with the Persians or the Greeks. the origin of its name, and the feveral persons it gave birth to [u], are all facts incapable of being recorded on marble, however introduced en possant into historic narrative. Perhaps the omission of the birth of Archilochus is an exception to this rule. But it must be proved that the Parian Chronicle is a Chronicle of Paros, and that because it is a more general chronicle, it is therefore a forgery. It may have been only befooke by fome individual, or public body, to be cut in a block or table of that marble that was in fo high repute, to be erected in fome temple or public building in a very different part of Greece or Afia, but prevented by a variety of accidents from arriving at the place of its destination, which even had it reached it is a a thousand chances to one if it would have been copied by any historian or traveller. Until the circumstances of its late difcovery can be ascertained, it must be impossible to determine for what use or place it was intended, or indeed to how late a period it was brought down.

IV. But, fays the objector, "the earlier periods of the Grecian history are involved in darkness and consustion. Herodotus the father of history, is irregular and desultory, and seems to have had no idea of any chronological order or precision. Thucydides only 13 years after him is too brief and concise in his narrative, which he resumes from Herodotus, and deduces to the Peloponnesian war, on which he is more distuse, as being coæval with it; and though both he and Xenophon wrote in the form of annals, they introduce many

<sup>[</sup>w] Evenus, an elegiac poet, Agoracritus, a pupil of Phidias, and three encaudic painters. Choifeul.

incidental circumstances without any chronological distinction or reference to any memorable epoch; nor were Olympiads marked by years but by facts." The best historians of Greece differ both in facts and dates; and shall we ascribe more correctnels to the Parian Chronicle than to Thucydides and Xenophon? We may certainly lower it far beneath their standard, without charging it with forgery, as there are many leffer antient hillorians who differ from the greater, without their genuineness being affected. Eratofthenes is allowed to have been an exact chronographer, and is supposed to have written about 25 or 30 years after the making of the Parian Chronicle. He might differ from or correct the chronology adopted on that marble; but though this may affect the credibility, or authority, or correctness of that marble, it by no means proves that it was fictitious, or of later date. Every thing that can be faid against the method and accuracy of the antient chronology long after the establishment of Olympiads may be applied to the monument under confideration, without impeaching its originality. The Parian Chronicle is only as fallible as the chronologies of Ephorus. Timæus Siculus, Eratosthenes, Apollodorus, and others; and its epochs, though not more certain than others complained of by Diodorus Siculas, are not therefore forged. Had this marble been appealed to by different writers, it would only have been one more difference of opinion superadded to the many others which they cite. If the date of a most important transaction in the most polished state of Greece, the legislation of Solon at Athens, was in Plutarch's time a subject of dispute and uncertainty, not ascertainable from written evidence or tradition, what wonder a chronicle inscribed on marble was not appealed to? There are many reasons to be assigned for neglecting it without an implication that it did not exist at the time. The authority of Diodorus Siculus is deemed decifive against it;

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because after all his pains and inquiries, he does not appear to have heard of it, or if he had heard of it, did not think it worthy of credit. It is prefumed that because Diodorus was unable to afcertain the epoch of the Trojan war, or divide the period before it into chronological distinctions, therefore the Parian marble, which pretends to do both, did not exist in his time, or escaped his researches, or was not of sufficient authority. To this it might be answered, that scarce two antient writers agree in fixing the epoch of the fiege or taking of Troy. The Parian Chronicle fixes it 1208 years before Christ, in which it differs 26 years from Eufebius, who follows the best chronologists of antiquity, and they differ but a year from each other. It is true Timæus differed 7 years, Dicaearchus 28, the author of the life of Homer ascribed to Herodotus 86, Duris Samius 150. Yet Petavius fays the Parian marble totally confounds all the accounts of the antients, antiquorum omnium rationes conturbat. Dionysius Halicarnassensis says, in the earlier times nothing but the mifreckoning of feveral yeved or generations is to be counted an error: errors of a few years feldom affect the exactness of chronology [x]. The term yeven is very uncertain, and is applied to one year, or 7, or from 20 to 30, and by Herodotus to the Heraclidæ, uniformly 33 years [y]. The calculation of the marble, however, agrees with that of Ephorus, Callisthenes, Damastes, Philarchus, as to the day of the month on which Troy was taken: and why may we not suppose the same concurrence as to the year, though Plutarch [2], who relates the one, was not led by his subject to mention the other. It may be faid this is not proof, and that the differences of the greatest au-

<sup>[</sup>x] VII. p. 408, ed. Lipf.

<sup>[7]</sup> Gibert fur les rois d'Egypt, Mem. de l'Acad. des Infc. xix. p. 1. 4°. xxx. p. 7. 12m°.

<sup>[</sup>z] In Camillo.

thors on a day do not carry such weight as the difference of years from 9 to 150. Allowing this argument its sull force, it only proves that the Parian Chronologer had an opinion of his own, as several othors had; not that he never existed in antiquity. This will apply to the differences between him and others in other epochs, which as to material points of history are from 20 to 66 years.

Let us hear the opinion of another of the French literation this marble.

"From the taking of Troy to Cecrops, fays the elder Boivin [2], is a little less than 400 years. First, this is the common opinion. The Parian Chronicle allows 373 years for this interval. Eusebius in his Chronicle 375. It is impossible to find two better authorities on this subject. The Parian Chronologist is the first and most antient founder of the Greek Chronology. He has invented among the Greeks the method of writing chronologically, or at least the older methods are lost. He has drawn up a feries of 79 epochs, and longer than any other of these times. He has followed the Attic æra, and taken Cecrops for his capital date: nothing is more original for our question than the year of Cecrops. And herein there is no error of transcribers. It is on marble, the autograph of the author, who drew it up by public authority, to ferve as archives for the whole nation. It is an antient inscription of the island of Paros, which had been long subject to the Athenians, and dated its acts by their magistrates. It is perhaps the most precious monument of its kind that remains to us from all antiquity. Befides this it agrees with Eusebius, whose Chronicle is the most common that we have. Eusebius puts here two years more than the Parian; but this difference is so small that it may pass for the

[z] Mem. de l'Acad. des Infc. ii. 396. 4°. iii. 34. 12°.
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different manner of reckoning the first and last year by reckoning or not reckoning by the months that are deficient or supernumerary. Eusebius differs from himself. In his presace he puts 350 years and 374, i. e. 329 and 45, and in his Preparatio Evangelica (x. 9), 400 years. Syncellus gives 616 years. But what are particular authors against the Parian Chronicle, Censorinus, and Eusebius."

Again [a], "All the fabulous Chronology above Cecrops is arbitrary, not to fay desperate. The Parian fails us there, and it is that properly which has served us as a guide for the 800 years from Cecrops to the first Olympiad."

In an Essay on the study of the antient historians, and thedegree of certainty of their proofs [b], M. Freret inclines to think that the library collected by Pissstratus at Athens, carried away by Xerxes, and restored after the death of Alexander by Seleucus, laid the soundation for the first general histories among the Greeks. A critical examination of these titles and soundations of larger histories produced all the chronological works which then appeared. The only one which is come down to us tolerably entire is the Parian Chronicle, which has been preserved above 2000 years. But the fragments which remain of the Chronicles of Eratosthenes, Castor, Apollodorus, Thrasyllus, and many others, shew that the greater part of these chronologists agree sufficiently in material points to give us reason to believe that they had worked from authentic memoirs.

The Abbe de Canaye, in a Memoir on the Arcopagus [c], appeals to this Chronicle for the æra of the first institution of that high court.

<sup>[</sup>a] Mem. de l'Acad. des Insc. vi. 168. 4°. viii. 266. 12m°.

<sup>[6]</sup> Ib. p. 37.

<sup>[</sup>c] Mem. de l'Acad. des Infc. vii. 180, 4°. x. 283. 12°.

M. de Valois, also in his Essay on the Sacred War of the Greeks [d], appeals to this precious marble, as he calls it, for establishing the epoch of the taking of Cirrha, and the renovation of the Pythic games by Eurylochus, which the old Greek scholiast of Pindar places in the 2d year of the 47th Olympiad, under the archonship of Simon, which is the 38th epoch of our marble. Yet Paufanias differs fo much from both these writers in placing these events in the 3d year of the 48th Olympiad, that M. Valois declares he should not have hefitated to prefer his authority to that of the Scholiast, had not the Parian Chronicle prefented itself in support of the latter. He cannot account for the filence of Paufanias about the marble, otherwise than by supposing that he had never seen it, or that he wilfully concealed his knowledge of it. The former fupposition is a reflection on Pausanias's exactness in visiting and confulting all the monuments in all parts of Greece; as this monument was not then buried in the earth, but standing a public depositary, preserved in some samous temple, open to public view, and accessible to every one. M. Valois persuades himself against Pausanias and Scaliger that the uniting, as the marbledoes, the two events with the archonship of Simon, which falls in the fecond year of the 47th Olympiad, is decifive in favor of the Scholiaft. These first Pythian games were diffinguished above all preceding ones by the allotting of the booty taken in the facred war and at Cirrha in rewards to the victors at them, which is particularly noted on this restable marble, as M. Valois styles it [e]. From it he corrects the Scholiast of Pindar, mela de xpover ENNaely instead of efaely; and whereas Pau-

<sup>[</sup>d] Ibid, Ib. 236, 4°. p. 357. 12°.

<sup>[</sup>e] Ibid, 237. 4 . P. 373. 12°.

I might transcribe a whole paper of M. Gibert [ f ] expressly on the subject of this marble, which he treats as of the greatest authority, not only for its antiquity 500 years before that of the earliest historians that are come down to us, but for being an original clear of the alterations and faults fo inseparable from histories and chronologies that have been transmitted by a succession of transcripts. He is lavish of his praises of Selden and Prideaux for their diligence and accuracy in reading and copying it, and even gets over the objection raised by Mill, who consulting is for Bentley 23 years after Prideaux, read 7 or 8 words more in one line, but found feveral others intirely effaced. He proceeds to shew that the year made use of on it is the Parian; that each Athenian archonship concurs with two Parian years, and two Athenian archonships answer to three Parian years; and that the events whose date is certain tally exactly by this mode of calculation. He accounts for the placing the archonships of Euctemon and Antigenes two years before Diodorus' lift, by afcribing it to a difference of opinion. He adjusts the epoch. of Gelo's tyranny, and shews that there is no anachronism in. the reign of Hiero."

From all these testimonies it appears how highly the learned on the continent think of this marble. What would they have said had it fallen into the hands of M. Peiresc?

Homer's age is another epocha much controverted. Ourmarble, however, agrees with Porphyry and the generality of

[ f ] Mem. de l'Acad. xxiii, 61-82. 4°. xxxviii. 99-133. 12°.

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writers as represented by Suidas, in placing him 907 or 908 years before Christ, which is but 14 years later than Eusebius had placed him. And yet the Grecian chronologists carry him back from 20 to 60, and 80, and even 200 years further. "There is a variation, says the objector, of 500 years in the conjectures of the antients in this article." The Parian marble differs 62 from Apollodorus, and from Eratosthenes 202.

As to the opinion of a very late editor of the Septuagint copy of Daniel at Rome, 1772, that the Parian Chronicle was the work of Demetrius Phalereus, there is so little certainty about the author, or the work ascribed to that Prince, that we may pass by the objections arising from this hypothesis. I would, however, just observe that admitting Demetrius Phalereus, or any other Demetrius, to have composed a chronicle, whether under the name of Avaspaph simply, or Avaspaph two Apxorlas, it does not necessarily sollow that this Chronicle was copied on the marble during the life of the Compiler, or in its fullest extent. It would only mean that his hypothesis was followed on it, though we have not his work to compare with it.

The objector defends the genuineness of Phædrus and Curtius on ground which he will not allow to be taken in behalf of the Parian Chronicle, and admits the silence of contemporary writers against them, which he will not allow for the marble. Curtius is not quoted till the middle of the 12th century. If there was any pretence for supposing him a forgery, the rank which Alexander the Great held in the times of Chivalry would be sufficient to justify the suspicion. "Alexander, says Mr. Warton [g], was the most eminent Knight-errant of Gre-

cian Antiquity. Q. Curtius was an admired historian of the romantic ages." He is first quoted by Petrus Blesensis about 1150, by Joannes Sarisburiensis about 1170. Consequently, Curtius then first started up, a sociations history of the gests of Alisaundre, and in about half a century afterwards Philip Gualtier, provost of the canons of Tournay, raised on it a Latin poem in ten books, called the Alexandreid [b]. By such deductions might one persuade the world that Curtius's History was a siction of the 12th century.

Now we are speaking of Alexander, let me just introduce an observation of the author of "Examen Critique des Historiens d'Alexandre," p. 343, & seq. who proposes to substitute to the birth of that prince on the Parian Marble, the first success of Demosthenes as an orator, and to the mention of Aristotle that of Plato. Both events are supplied on the marble, and there is room for the alteration which is better founded than the present supplement.

I return to Phædrus; and observe that whatever is objected to his genuineness from the lateness of discovery, and the silence of antient writers about him, applies more forcibly to Velleius Paterculus, of whom there is but one MS. extant, and that not discovered or published till 1520; for Fabricius says the edition of Venice 1476 is a siction, and there were not wanting critics who objected to the genuineness of the original itself.

In the comparison of the Parian Chronicle with other authors who have treated the same subjects, there is nothing so particularly striking as to induce one to suspect it was copied

[b] Ibid. 2d Differtation, sheet i. 2.

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from later writers. The agreement is rather in falls than words. The fact about Deucalion is supported by Paufanias. The enumeration of the 12 cities of Ionia in the fame order as by Ælian is purely accidental; it was sufficient to the chronicler's purpose if he said these cities were sounded by the Ionians, without specifying, which was founded first, and which The fall of the stone into Ægospotamos, though the Chronicle does not fay whence it fell, will never prove that he had the funerior understanding of a modern naturalist, who knew better than to fay it fell out of the fun, the beaven or the air. It was sufficient to his purpose to say it fell; and by recording this fall he referred to a fact believed by the antients, whether on philosophical grounds or not. It would have been more worthy of Eufebius to have exploded a vulgar error; but he contents himself with saying the stone fell frombeaven.

VII. Before we attempt to reconcile the parachronisms of the marble, we should clear those of historians. This it will not be easy to do in the very first instance of Pheidon inventing weights and measures, which antient historians have made to vary 100 years, and Sir Isaac Newton fixed 200 years later still,

As to the fecond instance, the expulsion of the Pisistratidæ, we have in many cases seen that the Chronicler joins several transactions together to form one epocha. Here he blends the murder of Hipparchus, and the expulsion of Hippias, though the latter happened 4 years after the former.

The remaining parachronisms, if not errors of the stone-cutter, or alterations of numerals by time and accident, would certainly be too gross, even for a counterfeiting sophist. Thus Monsieur Freret solves the difficulty in the 73d epoch of the

battle

battle of Leuctra, which is antedated a whole year. The date of Dionysius's tyranny in Syracuse should be 147 instead of 144; the death of Euripides 145, that of Sophocles 143, Ante C. 406 [i]: for the three archons Euctemon, Antigenes, and Callias, were immediate successors to each other. M. Freret accounts for the difference in the tyranny of Dionysius, by dating its commencement from the time of his being General with

an unlimited commission; ຮຸດພິທູໂດຊ ແນງ ດແລວພີພຸລ.

Monfieur Freret, after remarking that the author of this Chronicle has, for the chronology of the heroic times, an authority nearly equal to that of the antient critics who are opposed to him, and that the dates of literary history would lead to discustions of too great length and extent, proceeds to examine fome of those of the general history. In the 42d epoch, or that of Cræsus' conquest in Asia Minor, part of the numerals are effaced, and in the 43d, or his taking of Sardis, they are totally gone. In the 43d epoch this chronicle agrees with Soficrates, though it differs three years from Eusebius [k]. In the 45th the first numerals are wanting. The 49th, or that of the battle of Marathon, is right. The 50th, or that of the death of Darius, has loft the first numerals, and the remaining were very uncertain in Selden's time. This last epoch is examined at large by M. Freret, who vindicates Ctefias by fuppofing an error in the numerals in the MS. In order to reconcile the marble with Herodotus, Diodorus Siculus, the aftronomical canon of Ptolomy, &c. he proposes to read the evanescent figures as Prideaux did, and to understand the term every, used by Plutarch of the archonship of Aristides, in a more

<sup>[7]</sup> See M. Gibert. übi fup.

<sup>[4]</sup> Freret, Mem. de l'Acad. vii. 427, 428.

extensive sense, perhaps 4 or 5 years, which will bring all right. The Chronicle almost always uses the agrift, and by this circumstance the difficulty of the 54th and 56th epochs may be got over. In a second Memoir M. Freret shews that the years made use of in it are Athenian.

VIII. The discovery of the Chronicle is further urged as an argument against its genuineness. Authors are divided between Paros and Smyrna, as the places where it was found. But it is too bold an affertion to say that Sir Thomas Roe in his letters to lord Arundel does not once mention the Parian Chronicle. For in p. 512 of Roe's "Negotiations," in a letter (not indeed to lord Arundel but) to the Duke of Buckingham, dated May 1626, he says,

"In an island called Augusto near Paris [Paros] in the arches I have heard of Two GREAT MARBLES, and have taken com-

mand to fetch them by the Bishop of Naxia."

The objector may perhaps contend that there is no island of the name of Augusto in the best modern map of the Archipelago, fuch as that of M. Choifeul, and we may reply that it may be a misnomer for Antiparos or Amergos. But the passage certainly proves that Roe was not unacquainted with the two great marbles, and that he took measures to procure them by the interest of the bishop of the neighbouring island of Naxia. It further proves that the Chronicle confisted of two pieces or parts and not of "a feries of feveral pieces," nor " of a fingle piece:" and this accounts for the lofs of one of the pieces on the dispersion of the Arundelian Collection. When Petavius speaks of Arundelian Marbles dug up at Smyrna, he means the two pieces that composed this Chronicle, and this may account for their separation when one was converted into a chimney Vol. IX. Aa

piece or hearth, as if they were previously divided. Palmerius calls them fragments. Neither is this Chronicle the only subject of the discovery mentioned by Sir Thomas Roe or Gassendi. The former says Mr. Petry had collected 220 pieces in all the islands, and the latter that the Arundelian marbles (or the marbles which afterwards sell to the lot of the Earl of Arundel) were first discovered and dug up by by means of Peiresc, who paid 50 pieces of gold for that purpose. Not a word is said of the Parian Chronicle separately till Selden sound it out and wrote on it.

There is nothing suspicious in the manner in which Monsieur Peirefe loft these marbles after having agreed for the purchase of them. Every traveller knows the chicanery and roguery of the Turks and Greeks, and how much easier it is for them to extort an exorbitant price for a piece of antiquity than to forge it. If Peirefe's agent Samfon was a Jew, he might join in the plot; and when the marbles were once fmuggled away from his employer, it would have been fo difficult to recover them or to get redrefs from the Turkish government that the first loss was least, especially when he had the satisfaction to find into what hands they had past. The people who fold the marbles may have been capable of executing any scheme that might gratify their avarice, by selling them twice over; but it would be difficult to prove that they were capable of forging them: as well might it be faid they carved the statues or bas reliefs of the Arundelian Collection. That the Licuna were in the inferiptions from their original cutting. or occasioned in the interval between Peiresc's losing and lord Arundel's getting, them is absolutely begging the question; and to indeed I think is the idea that the Chronicle fo forged might tou 10

Mr. Gougu's Vindication of the Parian Chronicle. 179
" not have come immediately from the hands of the original fabricator."

IX. We come now to the last objection, which appears to me to have the least weight of any, amounting to no more than this; the world has been imposed upon many times, and therefore may be again. That false authorities should be appealed to in order to establish the antiquity of nations or families is not wonderful; but it would be extraordinary that there should not be found fomebody capable of detecting the falsehood, and that foon: fuch has been the fate of Veremundus, Geoffrey of Monmouth, and other European historians; fuch of Berofus, Manitho, Hermes Trifmegistus, Dares Phrygius, and Dialys Cretenfis, and even the poems of Orpheus, which are now scarce mentioned. The fictions of the Sophists were overthrown by Dr. Bentley. When books are ascribed to an author to the amount of 20 or 30,000 we may be fure the computation is erroneous, and fomewhat like that of our countrymen Bale and Pitts, who give the name of book to every leaf or letter written by the authors in their lifts. As to the writings of Numa the decree of the fenate for burning them will never prove they were forgeries; for though Livy [1] tells us, Valerus Antias was of that opinion, the report of the reader of them to the senate on which that order was founded, was, that they contained pleraque dissolvendarum religionum, and so Valerius Maximus [m] and Plutarch [n] fay the fame, that the established religion and conflitution of Rome would have been affected by making them public. They had departed too far from their pristine

<sup>[/]</sup> XLI. 29.

<sup>[</sup>m] L. i. 12.

<sup>[</sup>n] In Numa.

flate, to bear the test of their philosophic sovereign's injunctions. But admitting the forgeries practifed upon the collectors for the libraries of Pergamus and Alexandria, or the confusion of names which has given one author's writings to another; admitting the motives which influenced modern forgers of antient authors, or the weak prejudices of the first Christians, or of the numerous heretics in the early ages of the Church, whereby fictitious writings were multiplied to support particular doctrines, or the artifices of the church of Rome to support her fooleries, or the four attempts to impose on our credulity in the present credulous, though enlightened, age; admitting the motives for the fictitious infcriptions of Cyriacus Anconitanus, of Alexander Geraldinus, and others, founded on the vanity incident to travellers, particularly in the earlier periods of difcovery, or of Inghiramius and Annius of Viterbo to exalt Volterra and Viterbo in point of antiquity and consequence; admitting, I fay, that there were motives for all thefe fictions, (and after all that has been faid, the Inferiptions collected by Cyriacus Anconitanus did not appear fictitious to Muratori [0]), can it be made appear that there was a shadow of motive for imposing on the public such a monument as the Parian Chronicle. Fabricius observes [p], that the inserting spurious inscriptions is a very common fault in the first collections of them. To this probably it is owing that fome have crept into Gruter's Thefaurus, which is made up of all that were communicated to him from MS. copies, as well as from the stones themselves. He has, however, thrown such as he thought spurious at the end by themselves. Much of the credit of an inscription must de-

<sup>[0]</sup> Pref. ad. Thefaur. Inferiptionum, p. 2.

<sup>[</sup> P ] Bibl. Lat. L iv. c. 3.

pend on the correctness or knowledge with which it is copied. Accordingly Gori has restored many of Gruter's, and later travellers in Greece have rectified Spon's inaccuracy; and Muratori expresses his wishes that the inscriptions which compose his Thesaurus were re-examined and compared with the originals, if they could be found. He observes that incorrectness is more frequent in the Greek inscriptions by the consounding one letter with another [9].

But though it cannot be denied that inscriptions and MSS. have been forged in the 16th, 17th, and 18th centuries [r], as well as long before, I think every circumstance, both intrinsic and extrinsic, is against the siction of the Parian Chronicle. The arts and aims of Critophilus Metrophanes, who imposed on the good nature and bounty of Archbishop Abbot, were of a very different kind from those of counterseiting antiquities. The Alexandrine MS. lately published with so much credit to this kingdom does equal credit to the patriarch, who presented it to Sir Thomas Roe for his sovereign, notwithstanding the blunders of Sir Thomas about it: for nothing like what he wrote to Archbishop Abbot appears in the patriarch's certificate now in the MS. [s].

<sup>[9]</sup> Ubi fup. p. 4.

<sup>[</sup>r] The laws enacted by the Roman Emperors both Pagan and Christian and by the Popes, and Kings of France, against those who forged records, deeds, or titles, from the first to the 16th Century, are remarkably severe. The detection of these falsities was not so difficult as has been imagined even in the earlier times. See Nouv. Traite de Diplomatique, Tom. VI. part vi. p. 110—230. Peirese detected a sictitious soundation charter of the cathedral of Toulon, and had the forger of it sentenced to death, and the writer of it to the gallies. Bouche, Hist. de Provence, II. 86.

<sup>[</sup>s] Przf. Woide, § 4. c. 41.

Many inscriptions, whose peculiarity rendered them doubtful if not suspicious on a first view, have been established by succeeding discoveries. And who except Selden ever called in question the inscription on the Columna Rostrata, unless we would suppose every one of that period, and among the rest the sepulchral inscriptions of the Scipios lately discovered and published by Piranesi, is to come under the same censure?

It should seem that Sir Thomas Roe was more likely to be duped as a collector of antiques than Mr. Petty [t], to whom he bears this honorable testimony, that though his modesty would not permit him to say so, he was informed he "had gotten "many things rare and antient;" and even when he undervalues the stones which he dug because "good things undefaced are rare, or rather not to be found," he commends his talent and diligence for such search. Mr. Petty seems to have accommodated himself to the natives, as the late Dr. Askew did; and will any man affirm that the Dr. was imposed on in any of the valuable articles which he brought together? If Sir Thomas expected things undefaced, or had encouraged such to be brought to him, is it not much more probable that he would have been egregiously imposed on?

[1] Selden in his preface characterifes him as "the very learned William Petty" and celebrates his great judgement in collecting antient marbles.

I think it highly probable that this was Mr. Petty, master of the Free school at Beverley, to whom Sir Hugh Cholmley was sent there 1611. Upon being chosen sellow of Jesus College, Cambridge; he quitted the school, and took with him Sir Hugh, who was then (1613) only 13 years of age and 3 months. He is characterised in Sir Hugh's Memoirs lately printed for private use, (p. 36) as "a good scholar and witty man, but given to drinking, and so debauched us all, that I had been utterly undone, but for an intervening occasion—which was this: my said tutor Petty was called from college to London, to be tutor and master to the Earl of Arundel's sons in their sather's house."

I take this opportunity to correct my mistake in Brit. Topog. II. 128. in supposing the person employed by the Earl of Arundel to collect for him was Sir William Petty; for that gentleman was not then born.

It may be fairly asked if any counterfeit monument has been palmed upon us from Greece or Afia. The monks and literati of Italy have exerted great fertility of invention. But have the calovers discovered inclination or talents in the same way: or have the most learned of the modern Greeks for the three last centuries shewn themselves equal to compiling a system of antient Chronology for their country, or to forging the epiftles of Phalaris, Themistocles, or the many sophistical pieces, which after all are rather to be called imitations than forgeries: and the objecter himself allows the Chronicle in question with all its faults to be no contemptible production.

To return once more to the argument taken from this Chronicle not having been mentioned or referred to by any historian of antiquity. Are any of the monumental records given by Mr. Chishull thus referred to [u]? They are it is true confirmed by historical evidence; but which of the historians specify their being inscribed in stone, and erected in their temples?

[11] The same may be said of the honorary monument erected to the Erectheid tribe reciting wars barely mentioned by historians. Gallia antiq. felect. p. 82. Bimardi Differt. 1ma Muratori, II. DCCCLXXVIII.

The marble charged with the names of the youths registered from one of the tribes at Athens and admitted into the number of the Ephebi. Corfini Fasti Attici IV. proleg. p. ix.

The bas relief and inscription of Mantheus at Wilton is a record of a victory at the Nemean games between the 70th and 80th Olympiad. Binardi Differt. Muratori Thef. Infc. prefixa. The genuineness however of this marble has been doubted.

The bas relief of Xanthippus offering a votive foot to the Gods in memory of his happy recovery from a wound received in one of his feet has been referred to the Spartan general who commanded his countrymen in the Carthaginian army against the Romans, but may as well relate to the father of Pericles, who defeated the Perfians at Mycale, though we have no facts in history to support either reference.

On the other hand many monumental records referred to by historians donot now exist. Such are the brass table in the temple of Juno Lacinia at I acinium inscribed with the actions of Hannibal, which served Polybius as a foundation for his history, 11f. p. 188, Livy xxix. c. ult. Bimardi Differtatio 1ma. Muratori Thef. Infc. col. 4.

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The cuftom was too general to require this; and fince fo many records of this fort are daily discovered in the rubbish of the more famous temples of Greece and Asia Minor, fince the refearches of M. Fourmont were fo well rewarded in the Morea, and Dr. Chandler regrets that he did not purfue his further at Delphi and other places, can we take upon us to decide that this Chronicle may not have graced some famous temple, or have been intended fo to do? The privileges granted by the Roman Emperors to fome of the Afiatic states, though alluded to by Tacitus, are not referred to as infcribed on stones, whence conful Sherard copied them. But what shall we say of the History of Augustus' Acts inscribed on three sides of the porch of his temple at Ancyra, of which no antient writer has made mention, but only of the brazen tablet placed before his tomb at Rome, whereon Suetonius fays he directed his acts to be infcribed? I do not at prefent recollect a fimilar example in the line of infcriptions. It opens a wide field to conjecture how fuch an infcription came here. But there has not been suggested the slightest suspicion of its authenticity from the time of bishop Wrantz and Busbequius, who brought the first copy of it into Europe in the middle of the 16th century, to that of Bishop Pococke [x], who, if I mistake not, made the last copy, of only a few lines about two centuries after, not to mention Cosson, Paul Lucas, Gronovius, Tournesort, and Chishull, and the editors of some Roman historians, who have feverally perplexed or established it. Bishop Pococke mentions a counterpart of this infcription in Greek, cut in the same walls; and should the curiofity after antient inscriptions not be extinct. or the curiofity for investigating the antiquities of Asia Minor

<sup>[</sup>x] Travels, II. ii. 88. Inferiptions, p. 6.

be not intirely worn out, there may still remain ample matter for discussion on this single monument, to trace a complete copy of it in its present state, and to reconcile its contradictions with historians: for that even this monument as well as the Parian contains many such contradictions, both in sacts and numbers (though the latter are given in words at length and not in numerals) may be seen from the illustrations of it by Mr. Chishull and others [y].

But it is not only a difference in facts from the bulk of historians and chronologists that renders our Chronicle guilty of fraud. Its very concurrence with them exposes it to the same cenfure. A principle, which, if one admitted, destroys the credibility of every infcription that has the smallest relation to antient history. Let us apply this reasoning to some one other monument of antiquity. The speech of the Emperor Claudius for admitting the Gauls to a share of the honors at Rome has been preferved both in Tacitus [2], and on a brafs tablet found at Lyons 1728. The difference in ftyle and composition between the historian's copy and the original, great as it is, has never been made an argument against the genuineness of the latter. The Lex Imperii or Regia, by which the senate conferred the empire on Vespasian [a], mentioned only in four words by Tacitus, was found on another brafs plate at Rome, and preferved in the capital, unsuspected of forgery, till Ernesti moved some doubts about it in his edition of Tacitus, 1772, ftill subject to the opinions of those who had examined or might examine the original. Let us take the famous decree of the fenate against the Bacchanalian rites which occasioned such an alarm

<sup>[</sup>y] I passover a fragment relative to the Servile war, illustrated with notes by Baron Bimardi, who communicated it to Muratori for his "Thesaurus Inscriptionum," as it is uncertain whether it was copied from a brass plate, a stone, or a MS. It contains, however, some names of persons and places like the fragment of Livy lately discovered in the Vatican.

<sup>[</sup>z] Annal. XI. 24.

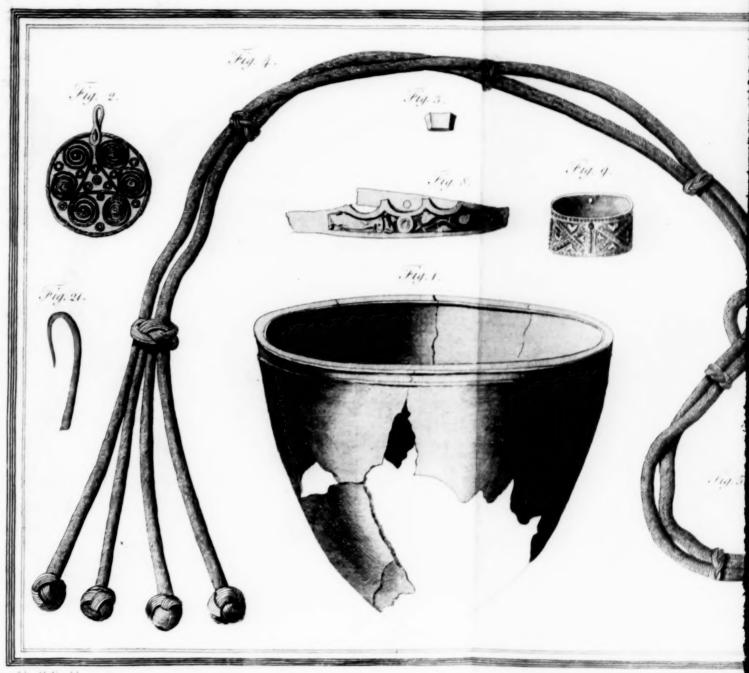
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at Rome, A. U. 56. Ante C. 186. A copy of this decree on a brafs plate about a foot square was found in the last century in digging the foundation of a house for a nobleman in Calabria. It appeared to have been broken and mended antiently, and was accompanied with various fragments of pillars, cortilces, &c. &c. a human body of large proportions embalmed in a stone coffin. It was carefully preserved by the prince of the country, a descendant of the family of the finder, who permitted feveral copies to be taken of it, the last and most correct in 1727, by Mithæus Egyptius, who published a fac simile of it with a commentary at Naples two years after, when it had been procured for the Emperor's library at Vienna by his phyfician and librarian. In the time and circumstances of the difcovery of this plate, the breaking and mending of it prior to this discovery, the orthography like that of the Duillian and other infcriptions, the conformity with Livy's relation of the flory which occasioned, and the decree then past, might all ferve as fo many evidences against its authenticity in the hands of an acute objector, in the mode of reasoning before mentioned, while in the minds of antiquaries whose acquaintance with fuch inferiptions fets a variety of exemplars before their view it would derive authenticity from the comparison, and particularly with this Society, who possess authentic copies of a fimilar monument of about a century later, found also in Calabria, and so happily illustrated by two of their members: I shall easily be perceived to allude to the HERACLEAN TABLES.

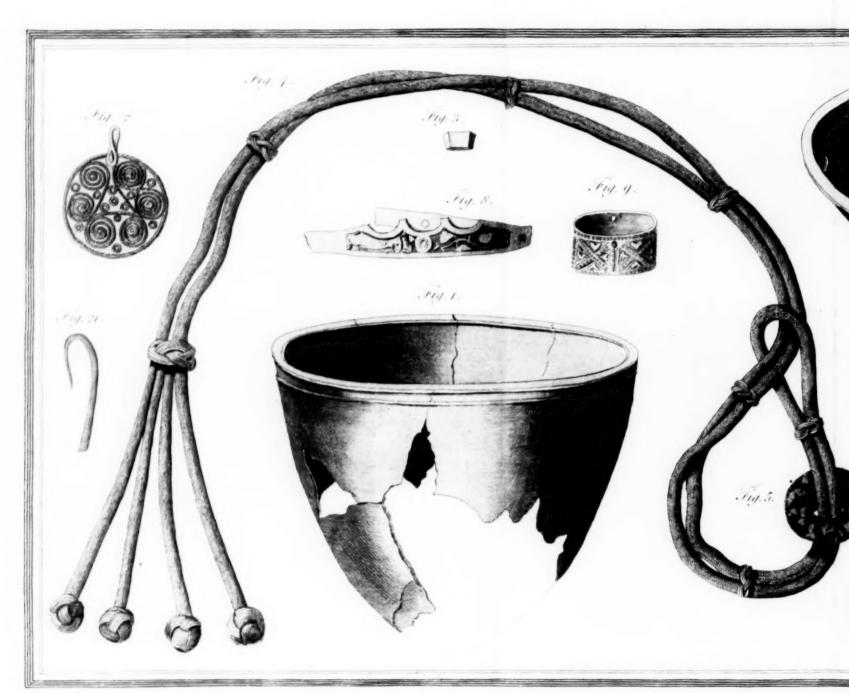
It is time to conclude this long Memoir, for which it will be incumbent on me to apologize to that learned University, who are the depositaries of its subject: that I have thus presumed to anticipate its defence, which it would be unjust to suppose they will any longer decline: especially as, if I am not misinformed, they meditate a new edition of their "Marmora,"

XVI. Account

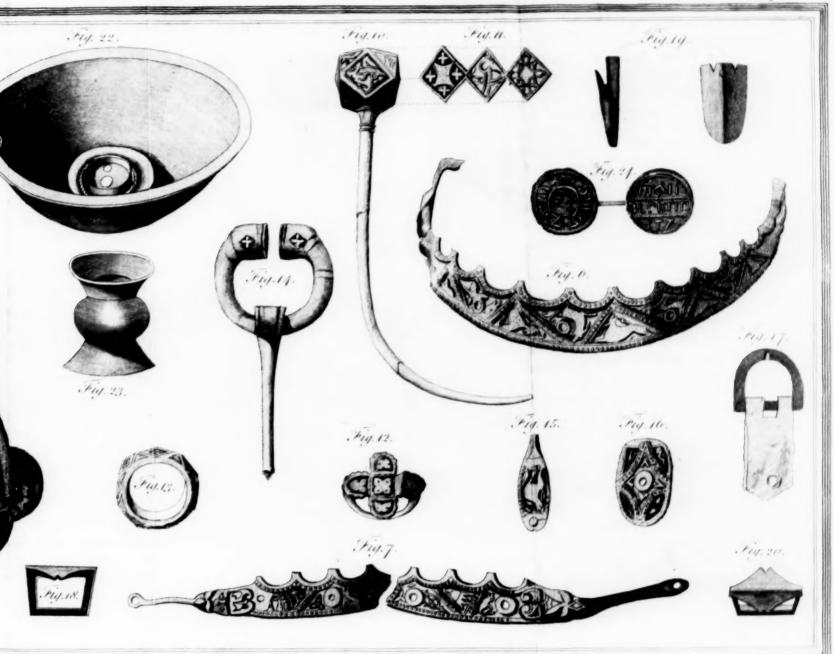


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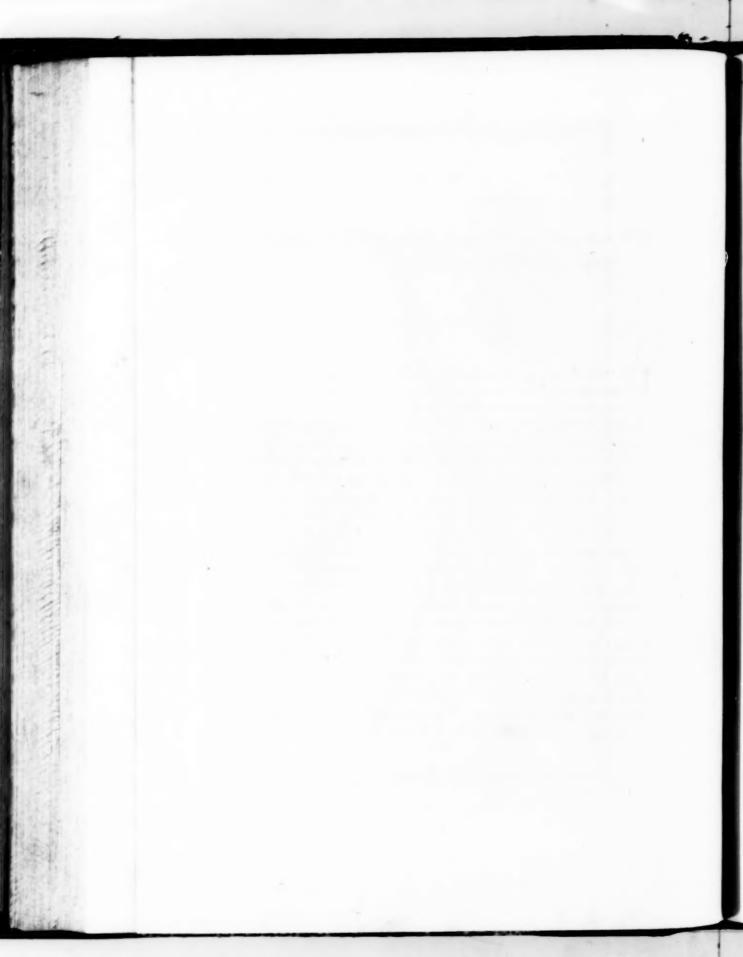
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## XVI. Account of Antiquities discovered in Cornwall, 1774. By Philip Rashleigh, Esq. F. A. S.

Read May 8, 1788.

IN the year 1774, as some tinners were searching for tin in a I ftream-work near St. Austell, in the county of Cornwall, about 17 feet under the furface of the ground, they discovered a filver cup, which is now used for wine at the Communion Table, in which were several antient pieces of ornament, for a person of high rank, as represented in Pl. VIII. The cup was placed in a heap of loofe flones, the refuse of an old tin-work, and covered with a common flate, where it was probably hid in troublefome times, either by the owner, or by fome person who stole it. The quantity of earth and stone which had accumulated over the cup fince it was deposited in the stream-work, thews that it had remained there for a great number of years. The cup was very thin and brittle, and fell into fo many pieces as to prevent its being united. Besides the articles represented in the drawing, it contained many of the most curious Saxon coins ever discovered at one time. These with the other pieces of antiquity fell out in moving the ground, and some were probably loft in shovelling about the rubbish. Those which were picked up were in a few hours disperst about the country, and many of them broken. The greatest part were afterwards collected, and are at Menabilly in Cornwall.

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The articles represented in the plate are the property of John Rashleigh, Esq. of Penquite in that county, on whose land they were found. The coins and silver ornaments were most of them coated over with copper, with which the water might be impregnated from some vein of copper ore in the neighbourhood, and which gave many of the coins the appearance of copper, rather than of silver.

Fig. 2, is gold, and had the little square piece of gold, fig.

3, wrapt up in it.

Fig. 4, is a filver cord running through a kind of ferpentine stone, of a greenish colour, with white spots, fig. 5.

Fig. 6, is supposed to be a bracelet.

Fig. 7, another broken.

Fig. 8, 9, others.

Fig. 10, a filver fpring, the ornaments on the different fides as at fig. 11.

Fig. 12, a filver ring.

Fig. 13, another ring.

Fig. 14, a filver buckle.

Fig. 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, are fragments whole use is not accounted for any more than fig. 22, 23.

Fig. 24, is one of the Saxon coins before mentioned, and appears by the inscriptions to have been of Burgred, last King of Mercia, expelled from his dominions, A. D. 874.

BURERED REX.

On the reverse,

MON LEhTILI ETA.

A new Mint-mafter.

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XVII. Discoveries in opening a Tumulus in Derbyshire.

In a Letter from the Rev. Mr. Pegge to the
Rev. John Brand, Secretary.

Read May 8, 1788.

SIR,

Whittington, March 15, 1788.

JOHN WEBSTER, a farmer at Smiril in the county of Derby, occupies some land belonging to Lord Viscount Howe, which gives him a privilege on Middleton-moor, and wanting this year to burn some lime, he dug for that purpose into a Tumulus or Low, on that part of the Moor called Garret-piece, and began his work at the bottom of it, on a level with the circumjacent ground.

The Low is about half a mile South-east of the Arbelows, or Arbourlows, of which you have some account in the VIIth volume of Archæologia [a]; and when the farmer had proceeded in digging to the center of it, and directly under the depression at the top (the Lows generally having a cavity or hollow

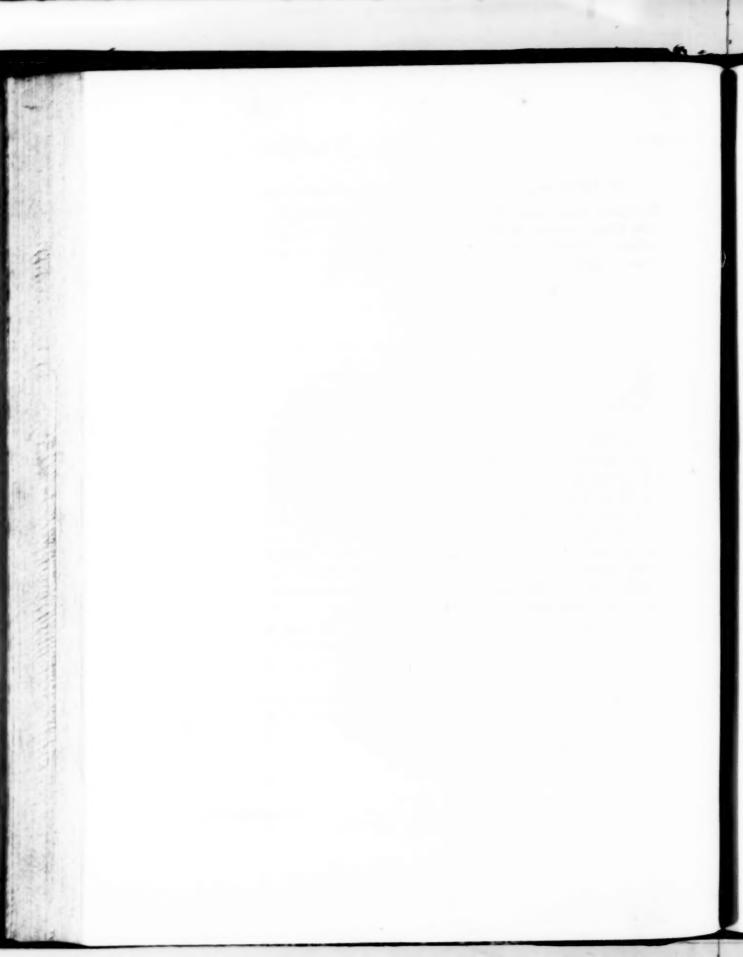
[a] Mr. Maty observes, whoever goes to Derby must needs know the Lows ... very well? Review, Nov. 1785, p. 351, but now the Lows are not near Derby. However, in p. 131, of Archæologia, for lang, r. lang; and p. 140, for Arar, 1. Arwr, these being two very material errors.

I have but little to fay, Sir, on the fubject of these very ancient, and perhaps druidical remains. No 1, which is a circular fragment, very thin and light, 7 inches diameter, and 3 inches high, has a little thallow groove round its bottom, as if intended to receive a band or fillet, for the purpole of tying and fallening it when complete (for it is now miterably broken and shattered) to the breast, or head, of the party that wore it; if the former, as a gorget or breast plate, if the latter, as an helmet or skull-cap. No 2, feems to have been part of the clasp; and No 3, to partake of the nature of a Bulla, or other Amulet; or perhaps was only a meer ouche or ornament. Both these are of the fize of the drawing. The vermicular or feroll work on both was no doubt at the time thought to be very fine, having been enameled; and probably thele two reliques had been esteemed the greatest valuables the owner had in his pollettion, it being ufual, in remote antiquity, to bury fuch Cimelia with a corpfe.

However, Sir, though the nature and use of these reliques be hidden in almost impenetrable darkness, and can only be the subject of very vague conjecture, I am nevertheless of opinion, and you, I flatter myself, will concur with me, that the representation of them, here sent, may be well worth preserving;



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Mr. Pegge on some Discoveries in opening a Tumulus. 191 fince some future happy discovery may possibly happen to illustrate them, or they, in their turn, may contribute to elucidate antiques that still lie buried in the ground, and may hereaster come to light.

I am, Sir,

with great respect,

your most obedient,

humble fervant.

## SAMUEL PEGGE.

P. S. Soon after I had dispatched my letter to you relative to the above discovery, that useful and worthy magistrate, Douning Rasbotham, Esq. of Birch House, Farnworth, near Bolton in the Moors, Lancashire, was pleased to fend me a drawing, made by himself, of a very extraordinary and curious small vessel, no larger than the drawing [c]; and I here transmit it to you, and through your hands to the Society, by way of deriving either from some one of that learned body, or from some happy discovery which may happen to be made hereaster, some plausible explanation of it.

The account received with the draught of this rude piece of pottery was as follows; 'that it appears to have fustained no greater heat in baking than that of the Sun;' was dug up last fummer in the township of Cliston, about 4 miles north of Manchester, on the banks of the river Irwell, by some workmen who were finking a trench, from a bed of gravel, which did not seem to have been ever stirred before; and, that along with

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it lay a few bones, and amongst them part of a skull apparently human, all which, with whatever else was buried with them, were thrown into the river.

Two things respecting this vase immediately strike the imagination. First, to consider, what ancient nation it may be afcribed to; and, secondly, to determine to what use and purpose

it might probably ferve.

As to the first point, I feem to be decidedly of opinion, seaving it however open unto better and more skillful judges, that from its being so imperfectly baked, so coarsly ornamented with a fort of zigzag, and so long interred that the gravel it say in had the appearance of never having been removed, it cannot be a Roman, but rather must be a British, or Druidical remain. And in support of this notion, I beg leave to observe, that mean as this vase appears, it probably was the most valuable moveable the party deceased had been possessed of.

The fecond particular mentioned, viz. the use and destination of the vessel, is a topic so perplexing, that I profess it exceeds all hariolation of mine. As the bottom is convex, it was apparently intended to be held in the hand, and yet it could not be a drinking cup, as the two parallel perforations on the side, not far from the bottom, exclude every idea of that sort. And indeed this strange circumstance of the perforations renders this vase to me perfectly inexplicable in regard to its use. The Society has the drawing before them, and both Mr. Rashbotham and myself intreat the savour of some rational elucidation of this singular and very puzzling object from some of the learned members.

in the neighbourhood of Mansfield Woodhouse in the county of Nottingham. By Hayman Rooke, Esq. F. S. A. with an introductory Letter to the Secretary from Sir George Yonge, Bart. Secretary at War, F. A. S.

Read June 5, 1788.

SIR,

Stratford Place, May 7, 1788.

TRANSMIT to you, at the request of my respectable and ingenious friend, Major Rooke, of Woodhouse, a small treatife, which he has drawn up on some Roman Roads, Tumuli, Stations, and Camps, which he has lately traced in the neighbourhood of Mansfield, and which have not hitherto been no-I cannot comply with his request that it might be transmitted to the Society, without explaining some particulars which gave rife to this treatife. When I first faw the account, which he fent to the Society, of a Roman Villa which he had discovered near Mansfield, I communicated to him some few fentiments of mine, on which I grounded an opinion, though I was quite unacquainted with the country, that this Villa was probably the refidence of fome military Roman commander, and that there was probably some Roman camp or station, or fome military Roman road running near it. This did not by any means appear by his answer to be the case. And yet it fill feemed to me improbable that it should be otherwise.

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Having had an opportunity last year of waiting on Major Rooke, and viewing this Roman Villa, I was first struck with the appearance that Mansfield was probably a Roman station, from whence the Villa was not above a mile distant, and indeed was in fight of it; and I thought I faw traces of some Roman roads running near it. On viewing the Villa itself (which I found well worth the view) I faw a post still nearer it, which had all the appearance of a Roman camp from its form, and other circumstances; but on enquiry from Major Rooke he assured me there was no fuch thing there, nor Roman road in the neighbourhood. However, having communicated to him my fentiments, grounded on observations which I had occasionally made on Roman roads, stations, and camps, from whence I had formed a decided opinion, that there was an uniform fystem of fuch roads, camps, and flations, throughout the kingdom, and all connected with each other, not only by principal military roads, but by many others also, forming cross communications with each other, as diverticula, I entreated Major Rooke to look a little more narrowly into this point; and ventured to prophely, that, on fearthing further into this particular fpot. which wore the name of Pleasley Wood, he would not only find that to be a Roman station, but would probably from thence be able to trace a connected chain of them through the country. The time and the feafon not allowing of it then, he promifed to do fo as he had leifure and opportunity; and the refult of his labours is contained in the treatife herewith enclosed.

I hope I shall be forgiven if I take this opportunity, fortified by this experiment of the truth of my ideas on the subject, humbly to submit it to the Society, whether they would not think it adviseable to direct some encouragement to be given to

A Letter from Sir George Yonge, on Roman Roads, &c. 195 an investigation of all the Roman roads, camps, and stations. throughout the kingdom, county by county, for the purpose of ascertaining the connected military system and principles on which they were formed; which may lead to a curious difcovery of the extent and fituation of the many Roman towns. camps, and villas, which must have existed in this country during the period of four hundred years, for which Britain was a very distinguished member of the great Roman Empire. Such investigation gradually, but regularly, pursued, would neither be expensive nor laborious; there being very little doubt, but that there are ingenious persons in every county, who, on such a wish being properly communicated to them by the Society, would readily fecond those wishes, and, with very little afliftance in having plans or drawings made by order of the Society, where the accounts transmitted might appear to justify it, produce in time a very compleat account and fystem of these military Roman remains as well as of other municipia, and perhaps baths and other veffiges of Roman magnificence.

I beg pardon for the liberty I have taken of suggesting thus much, and for detaining you so long upon this subject; but I thought the explanation necessary to elucidate the occasion of the treatise transmitted from Major Rooke, and I also thought the subject not unworthy the attention of the Society. It will give both Major Rooke and me great pleasure, if they should be of the same opinion, or if they should think what has been offered in any degree deserving their notice.

I am, with regard,

SIR.

your most obedient humble servant,

GEO. YONGE.

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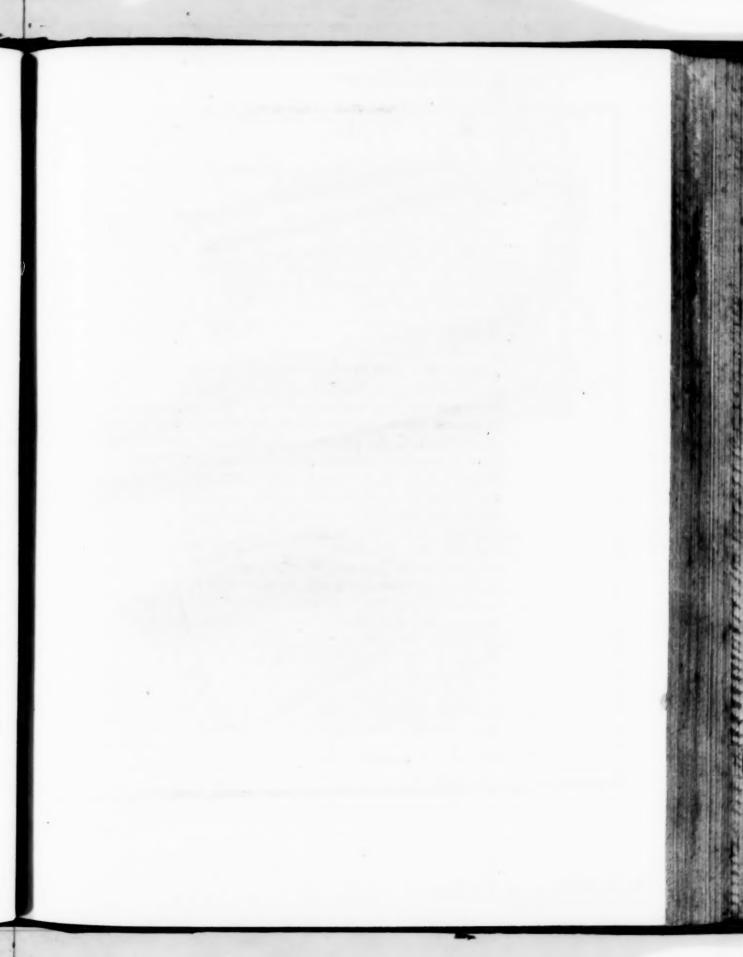
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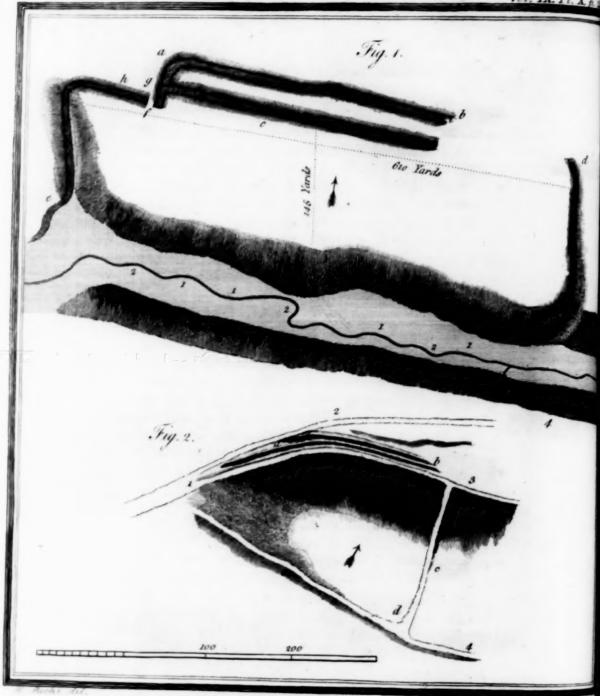
DEAR SIR,

Woodhouse, May 3, 1788.

HAVING been honoured with your judicious observations on Roman camps, stations, and roads, and the great probability there was that they were to be found in this neighbourhood, determined me to explore with more attention the country round Manssield, and particularly that part of Sherwood Forest between Manssield and Southwell, the latter being the nearest Roman station we have any knowledge of in this part of the country, and from whence, it is natural to suppose, they took their rout to Pleasley Park, and so to Chestersield, on which I shall offer a probable conjecture by and by. In this tract I have discovered some Roman camps almost perfect, others with only part of the ditch and vallum to distinguish them, which with their situations, evidently prove them to be Roman.

I should have done myself the honor of communicating to you the discoveries I formerly mentioned long before this, had not bad weather and indisposition greatly retarded my researches. We had so much snow in March that there was no going out; and the beginning of April I had the rheumatism, which obliged me for some days to stay at home. However, I have made the most of my time since, and from the remains of Roman camps I have met with in this neighbourhood, there is





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When I had the honor of feeing you here, you was of opinion that the Roman villae near Woodhouse had their diverticulum. It undoubtedly appears they had, though I have not yet been able to meet with that diftinguishing mark of a Roman road, the elevated ridge. At the bottom of the field where the fepulchres were found, and where an old road formerly went, is a passage cut through a rock, and slopes down a steep bank to Pleasley water, where an old ford is now difcernible, though it appears not to have been used for many years. From hence the road went across a little meadow, about fifty or fixty yards to the S. E. end of Pleasley Park. Here a deep ditch or hollow way goes flanting up a bank to the top of the hill. where there are evident marks of a Roman camp. (See plan Pl. X. fig. 1). On the N, fide, where the wood is on a level with the adjacent grounds, is a ditch and vallum, the ditch 13 feet wide. They appear perfect 340 yards from (a) to (b). Parallel to thefe, at the distance of 22 yards, is another ditch (c), about the same width, but rather deeper; from (b) to (d) there are now very little appearances of a ditch or vallum, but from (d) a ditch flopes down to the meadow as already mentioned. The S. fide is strongly secured by a steep bank, as is the W. end, where a ditch (now used as a road) slopes down to the end of the wood at (e). The entrance to the camp appears to have been at (f), where it might be easily defended, from the falient angles (g) and (b). The following references will more clearly explain

plain the fituation: (N° 1) little meadows in the valley, (N° 2) Pleasley water, (N° 3), the bank at the bottom of the field where the sepulchres were found, (N° 4), the road cut through

the rock as above mentioned [a].

This camp appears to have been strongly fortified by art and nature, in a well-chosen situation, near a river, and commanding extensive views. As it would contain a considerable number of men, the command would undoubtedly be given to an officer of high rank; and I think it is not an improbable conjecture, that this general might have built the Roman villae, which evidently appear to have had a communication with

the camp [b].

About a mile and a half E. of Pleasley Park, and at the end of Manssield Woodhouse, is a little eminence, called Winny hill, where there are the remains of an exploratory camp. (See plan, Pl. X. sig. 2). The double ditch and vallum on the N. W. side are perfect, except where the road has destroyed part of the outward ditch; the remaining parts from (a) to (b) are about 160 yards, the base of the vallum 16 feet, bottom of the ditch 6 feet. On the side (c) near a road, the vallum seems to have gone up the hill where a hedge has been planted upon it, at (d). It appears to have turned down by the side of a hollow way, where there is a steep bank on the opposite side, marked (e), which continues to the road. Here it probably joined the other ditch and vallum. No 1, is where the road branches off; No 2, goes to Warsop, Welbeck, and Worksop,

<sup>[</sup>a] The plans of all the camps mentioned in this paper are laid down from the fame feale, one hundred yards to an inch.

<sup>[6]</sup> Pleasley Park confists of 183 acres of thick underwood and trees, which made it difficult to trace out the camp.

N° 3, to Edminstow and Alierton; N° 4, is a lane that goes about three hundred yards to a brook. From this camp the views are extensive to the N. and W.; that to the latter takes in the whole extent of Pleasley Park. As that camp is not above seven miles from Chestersield in a straight line, there is great reason to suppose that it was connected with that post by a military road, though it has not yet been discovered.

The Rev. Mr. Pegge has traced a Roman road from Chefter-field, through Sir Henry Hunloke's Park at Wingerworth, to Derbentio or Little Chefter near Derby, where it joined the Ikenild-street [c]. Now, Sir, I think it will appear, from the situations of the Roman camps I have lately discovered, that from Southwell the Romans had a chain of posts to Mansfield, (which probably was a station) to the camp in Pleasley Park, and so to Cheftersield, by which judicious disposition they would have a communication between two great Roman roads, the Foss way, which is not far from Southwell, and the Ikenild-street.

Horsley, in his Britannia Romana [d], seems to think that Southwell was the Ad pontem of Antoninus; and what favours that opinion, are the coins and other antiquities found there. In November last I was present when some stones were discovered which appeared to have been part of a wall; near these were found some bits of painted stucco, two or three tesserae of a pavement, and pieces of Roman tiles, the sides raised exactly resembling those found in the Roman villa near Woodhouse. The Rev. Mr. Bristow, one of the worthy vicars of Southwell, who has a taste for antiquities, first made this discovery in

<sup>[</sup>e] Roman roads through the country of the Contani.

<sup>[</sup>d] P. 439.

digging to make a foundation for a building in his garden. The stones lay five feet below the surface, so that the depth of soil necessary to be removed for a thorough investigation would be

attended with a confiderable expence.

About three miles from Southwell on the right hand of the road to Mansfield, and near the village of Kirklington, is a hill called Hexgrave Park [e], where there are evident marks of an encampment, the ditch and vallum here and there perfect, but the plough has fo totally destroyed them in other places, that

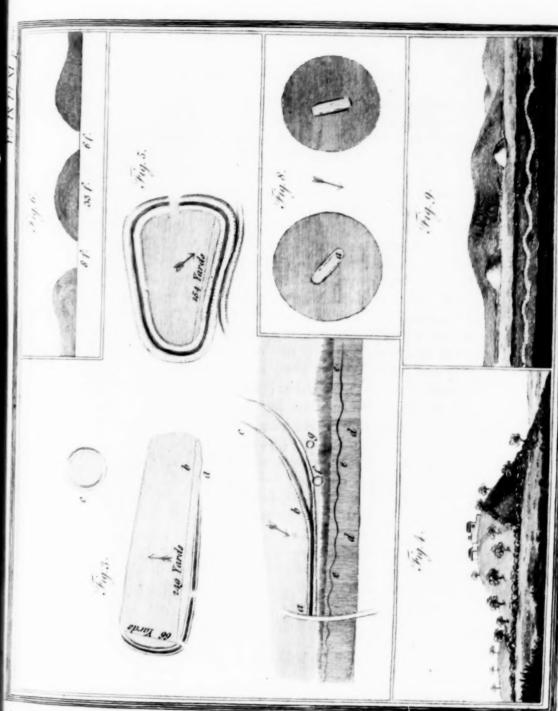
no precife shape can be made out.

At about three miles and a half S. W. of this camp, and four from Southwell, on the left hand of the road to Mansfield, is a farm on an eminence called the *Combs* [f], where a Roman camp is plainly to be made out. See plan, Pl. xi. fig. 3. The ditch and vallum are perfect at the W. end and on most part of the S. side. At (a) it has been levelled for a garden: the farm-house stands at the E. end at (b) here I found several fragments of Roman bricks and tiles, which the farmer told me they frequently turned up in ploughing. About 50 yards to the N. is a circular vallum of earth (c) near 40 yards diameter; part of it has been very lately destroyed by the plough.

This camp commands a very extensive view over Sherwood Forest, to the N. W. towards Manssield, as that at Hexgrave does to the S. W. The ground about the Combs, which was part of the forest, has been inclosed to the extent of near two miles, of course many roads must have been destroyed. The great road from Southwell to Manssield (eleven miles) goes through Farnssield between the two camps, leaving that at Hexgrave three miles to the right, that on the Combs one mile

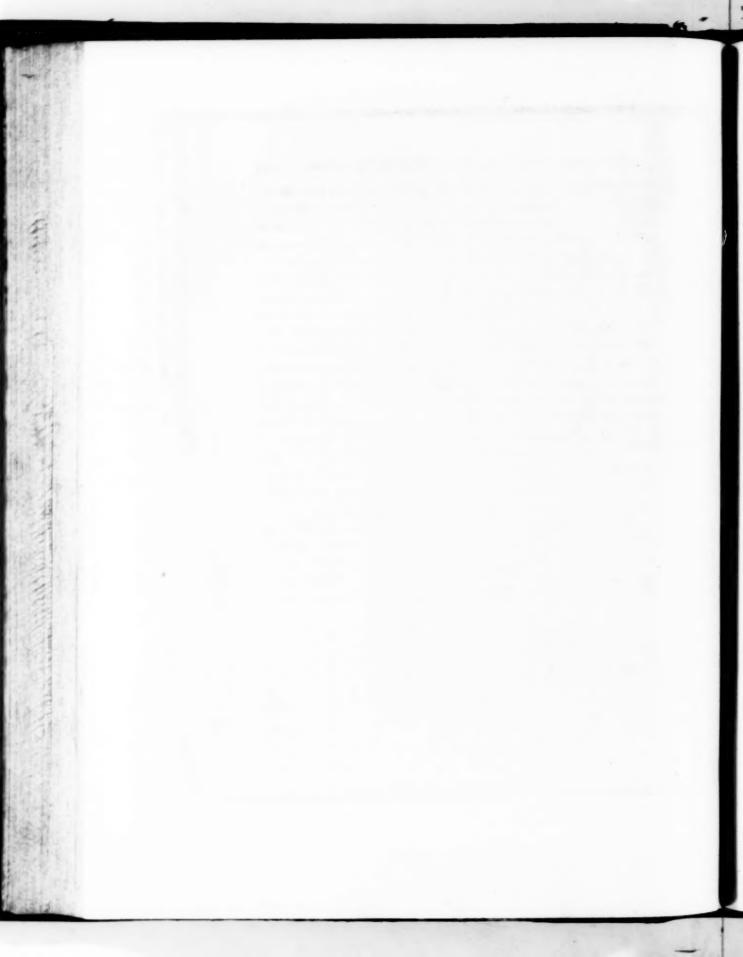
<sup>[4]</sup> An effate belonging to the archiepiteopal fee of York. See Mr. Raffall's History of Southwell, p. 374.

<sup>[ / ]</sup> See History of Southwell, p. 365-372.



1. C. view of the Combs.

N. W. rick of a hill in Showood Forces in the parch of Blidwood on which has been a Roman Camp



to the left [g]. We have reason to admire the judgment of the Romans in their choice of these camps: they not only command extensive views over the country through which they were to proceed, but are fo fituated that intelligence might be conveyed by figuals, as they are not only within fight of each other, but are feen from the station at Southwell. The perspective view of the Combs, Pl. XI. fig. 4, will give an idea of the fituation. About one mile S. W. of the Combs, and little more than a mile from the village of Oxon, is another fmall exploratory camp very perfect. See the plan Pl. XI. fig. 5. It goes by the name of Oldox, which probably means old works; the N. E. fide, where there is a double ditch, is 154 yards; the outward vallum flopes down a bank of underwood, where part of it has been destroyed. Fig. 6, is a fection of the double ditch and vallum. About 100 yards W. of this camp a hill rifes in a conical shape; the top appears to be a large tumulus, from whence there is a very extensive view over the forest towards Mansfield: in a direct line W. of this tumulus are two more about half a mile afunder; that in the centre is 728 feet in circumference, the other 159 feet.

The next post the Romans seem to have taken possession of in their route to Manssield, is on a hill within three miles of it. See the plan, Pl. XI. sig. 7. On part of the N. and N. W. sides of this camp, the ditch and vallum appear persect. From (a) to (b), where the double ditch begins, is 127 yards; from (b) to

<sup>[</sup>g] The ingenious Mr. Rastall, in his Antiquities of Southwell, mentions these camps, but does not allow them to be of a Roman origin. He gives very plausible reasons for his opinion. But had this gentleman carefully examined the camp on the Combs, and discovered Roman bricks and tiles, I am satisfied he would agree with me in thinking that these camps were originally of Roman construction, whatever people might afterwards take possession of them.

(c) 140 yards: here the ditch is almost destroyed, but the vallum appears to have gone up the hill on the W. fide. There are now little or no appearances of a ditch or vallum on the S. E. fides, owing to the hill having been enclosed and cultivated. On the N. fide the ground flopes down to a morafs marked (d) 30 yards wide, through which runs a little brook called Rainworth water (e), which divides Mansfield and Blidworth parishes. Close to the vallum are two tumuli (f) and (g) 35 yards afunder; the diameter of (f) was near 8 yards, that of (g) near 7: these I opened to the depth of near 6 feet from the top, and about I foot and half from the level of the natural foil. Here I perceived a thin body of smooth clay near o feet in length, and 2 feet 4 inches in width. See plan, Pl. XI. fig. 8. On this lay ashes and burnt bones. On the fides (as marked in the plan) the ashes were very black, owing I imagine to their not having been mixed with the burnt bones: at the end marked (a), I found three teeth. As there were no urns in these tumuli, I should suppose they were the sepulchres of private soldiers. Fig. q, is a perspective view of this hill and the two tumuli. About two miles N. W. of this camp, and in a line with Mansfield, is Bury bill. I must here observe that there are two Roman camps (probably more) that are called Bury bill, one near Bicester in Oxfordshire, the other near Andover. There could not be a better fituation for an exploratory camp then this Bury hill; it takes in agreat extent of prospect; the W. view towards Derbyshire is bounded by the Peak hills to the S. and S. E. the camps at Hexgrave and Combs, and the tumulus joining to the little camp near Oxon, are plainly to be feen, but as the grounds have been layed out in the modern tafte, and a good house built on the hill, many old roads have been turned, and banks and ditches

ditches levelled. There are now the remains of several hollow ways and old roads on this part of the forest, which have escaped the ravages of time. Mr. Horsley supposes that these cross roads of the Romans and the vieinal branches were not made so strong and durable, or so grand and magnificent, as the principal ways, and for this reason have been sooner and more generally ruined and lost [b]. Though we have not this guide to follow, yet it is sufficiently obvious that the above mentioned camps point out the route of the Romans towards Manssield, where several Roman coins have been sound. I have four now in my possession, one of Vespasian, and one of Constantinus very persect; the other two appear to be Antoninus Pius and Marcus Aurelius.

I think, Sir, it plainly appears from what has already been discovered, that the Romans had camps, and I may venture to fay stations, in this part of Nottinghamshire, hitherto unnoticed. Roman roads are difficult to find in a country that has been often planted with wood, and at various times inclosed and cultivated: however, roads there must have been, and I think the forest between Manssield and Southwell the most likely part to find one in.

I shall take this opportunity of mentioning a few antiquities I found in clearing out some of the rooms in the Roman villa, since I had the honor of communicating that discovery to the Society. In digging to the floor of a room, which from its situation I take to be the Apodyterium or stripping room, being joined to the hypocaust and cold bath, I found an instrument, which, from its construction and lightness, I should suppose to be the rubber which the Romans used to rub their skins with;

fee Pl. XII. fig. e. (a). It is of a pale grey colour, the bottom fmooth; the indented rim towards the lower part feems as if it was intended for fixing a cloth round it, when a more gentle friction was required than that of the Strigil or Pumex.

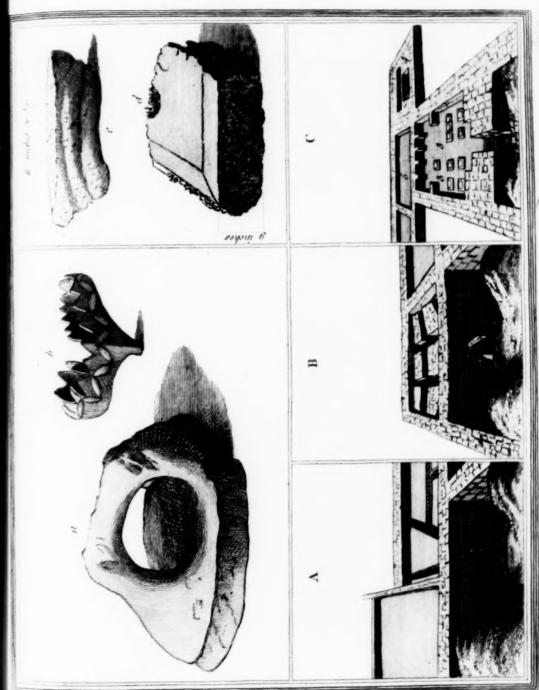
Governor Pownall, in his curious and learned account of the baths discovered at Badenweiler, gives a particular account of the use of this instrument. He says " the Pumex acted as a "kind of flesh brush or rasp; but the use of the Pumex stopped or not here; it was prepared so as to polish the skin [7]. From this account, there is reason to suppose that this instrument of mine was intended for both purposes. Fig. (b) was found sticking to the coulter of a plough in a field near the villa: it is made of brafs, and was probably used as a tibula, or some kind of ornament, it appears to have been bent. Both a and b are engraved of the original fize. Fig. (c) feems to be part of the capital of an altar: it was found in clearing out the Ishariflerium, or inner court of the villa ruftica, near the two bases of altars mentioned in my account of that villa. I must here beg leave to observe, that there is a similar situation of a pedestal in the sphæristerium of the baths of Badenweiler, where Governor Pownall fays, " is the pedeftal on which, fome fup-.. pole, a statue once stood: I am rather disposed to think it an " altar [k]." He likewife takes notice of the place of another in the sphæristerium on the E. side of the baths. The opinion of to learned an antiquary on these pedestals favours my conjecture, that the bases in the inner court of the villa rustica are bases of altars.

Fig. (d), is a fragment of flucco floor, feveral pieces of which were found in clearing out the hypocaust at the S. E. end of the

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<sup>[</sup>i] Pownall's Provincia Romana, Appendix, p. 192.



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villa rustica. It appears to be a composition of pounded brick and lime: on the top is a thin coat of polished stucco, about a quarter of an inch thick. Cameron, in his account of the Roman baths [/], mentions a piece of stucco sloor found placed upon tiles over the hypocaust in Caracalla's baths, three palmas or nine inches thick, made of pounded brick and lime, and which had a smooth surface. From the description and print he gives of it, it exactly resembles both in thickness and compositions the fragments found here.

As the construction of these hypocausts in the Roman villa will be best explained by perspective views, I have ventured to

give drawings of them in Pl. XII.

(A) represents that at the S. end of the villa urbana, (B) that at the N. E. end of the villa rustica. These were evidently intended for heating the rooms. (C) is at the S. E. end of this villa, and appears to have been constructed for heating the sudatorium and callida lavatio.

N° 1, is where the fire was made, and where ashes were found; N° 2, the arch through which the heat was conveyed to the flues; N° 3, tiles upon which there appeared to have been pillars of stucco that had supported the floor; N° 4, the little cold bath. N° 5, the apodyterium or stripping room.

Should you think these cursory remarks worthy of being communicated to the Society, I must beg you will do me the honour to lay them before that learned body in whatever shape you think proper.

I am, with great respect,

Dear Sir,

your most obedient, and most obliged, humble servant,

H. ROOKE.

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XIX.

XIX. Description of some Druidical Remains on Harborough Rocks, &c. in Derbyshire. In a Letter from Major Rooke to the Rev. Mr. Norris, Secretary.

Read Nov. 6, 1788.

REVEREND SIR,

Woodboufe, March 19, 1788.

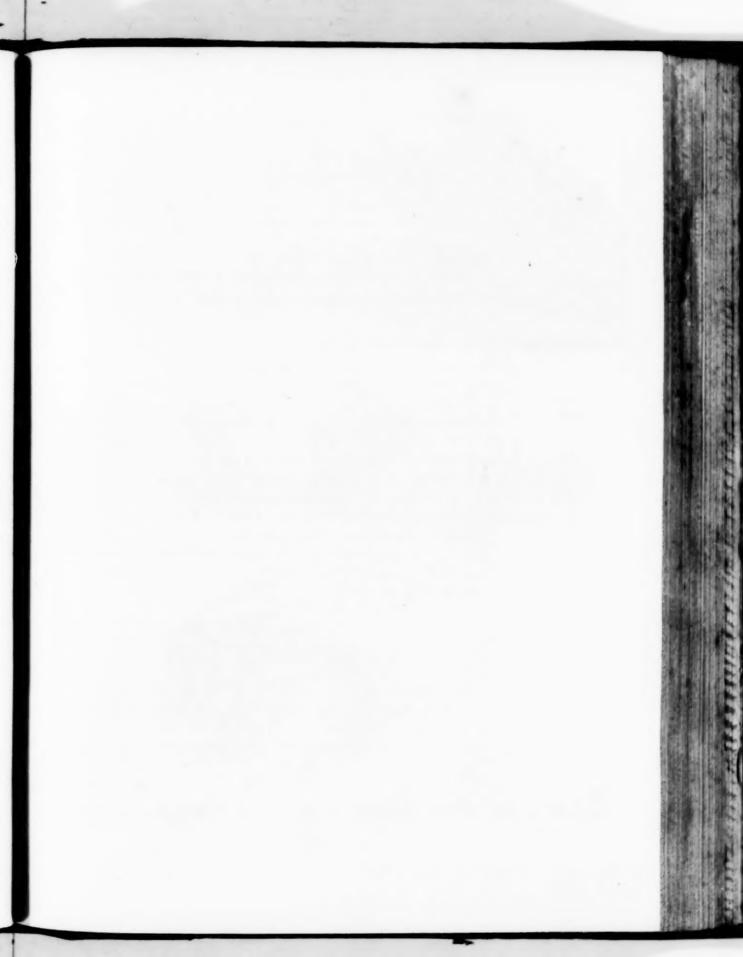
BEING last summer on a visit to my worthy friend Mr. Gell of Hopton, in Derbyshire, whose seat is in the parish of Worksworth, he was so obliging as to shew me some curious remains of British antiquities. I shall beg leave to trouble you with the description of these and some others of the like nature, and, if thought worthy of being communicated to the Society, must beg you will do me the honor to lay it before them. I am, with great regard,

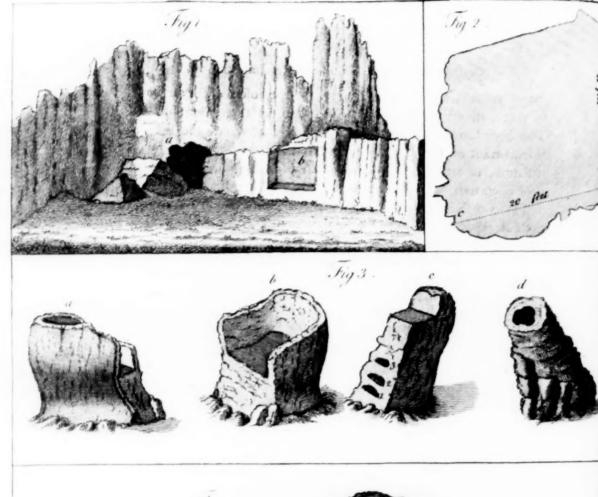
Dear SIR,

Your most obedient, and obliged humble servant,

H. ROOKE.

The caves we meet with at the foot of high craggs in many parts of the Peak, are undoubtedly very accient, and were probably temples. Mr. Bryant tells us "that men repaired in the first ages, either to the lonely summits of mountains, or else







Harborough Rocks.

"to caverns in the rocks, and hollows in the bosom of the earth, which they thought were the residence of their Gods [a]." The same learned author likewise says, "that among the Persians most of the temples were caverns in rocks, either by 
nature, or artificially produced. They had likewise Puratheia 
or open temples, for the celebration of the rites of sire [b]."

The worship of the Sun is the most ancient, and in the progress it made to the north would of course arrive in Britain, where it was adopted by the Druids.

On the moors about a mile and half from Hopton, on a hill commanding an extensive view, is an affemblage of rocks, called Harborough Rocks, (Pl. XIII. fig. 1), reprefents that part of them in which there is a cave, marked (a). Near the entrance at (b) is a feat cut in the rock. Fig. 2, is a plan of the cave, part of which feems to have been hollowed out by art. In one corner at (c) is an aperture at the top, which is now partly filled up by a large stone, that appears to have fallen in. On the top of these rocks, (Pl. XIII. fig. 3), are some very firegular Druidical monuments, never hitherto taken notice of: (a) is a rock cut in the shape of a great chair, height at the back 3 feet 10 inches, the feat 3 feet deep; (b) is another view of the fame chair. The stone (c) is 4 feet 6 inches high; near the top is a feat, to which there are three steps; marked 1, 2, 3, the feat is 2 feet 3 inches by 1 foot 3 inches. Near to this is ano. ther stone (d), 4 feet high, with a bason on its top 1 foot diameter. At the bottom of the bason is a hole cut sloping through: the stone at (e), evidently for the purpose of letting out the water.

[6] Ibid. Vol. I. p. 222.

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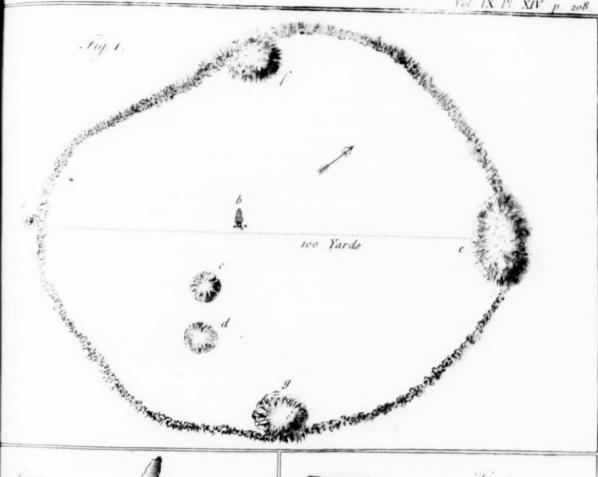
<sup>[</sup>a] Bryant's Analysis of Antient Mythology, vol. 1. p. 217.

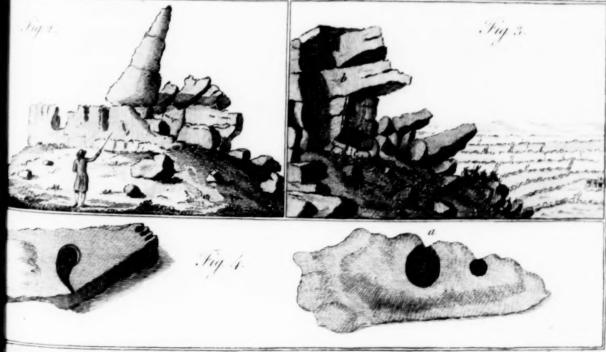
Another rock chair, which much refembles this on Harborough Rocks, is on Stanton moor [c]. The engraving, Pl. XIII. fig. 4. reprefents it in its prefent fituation; but I was told that about thirty years ago it flood upright, supported by the two stones (a and b), and was one night thrown down by some mischievous people; that it was called Thomas's chair, and supposed to be very ancient: this is the only traditional account I could get of it. Near to it is a fragment of a stone, which appears to have had a rock bason on its top; the other part has been carried away by the mason for building, which will soon be the sate of the rest of the Druidical monuments on this moor.

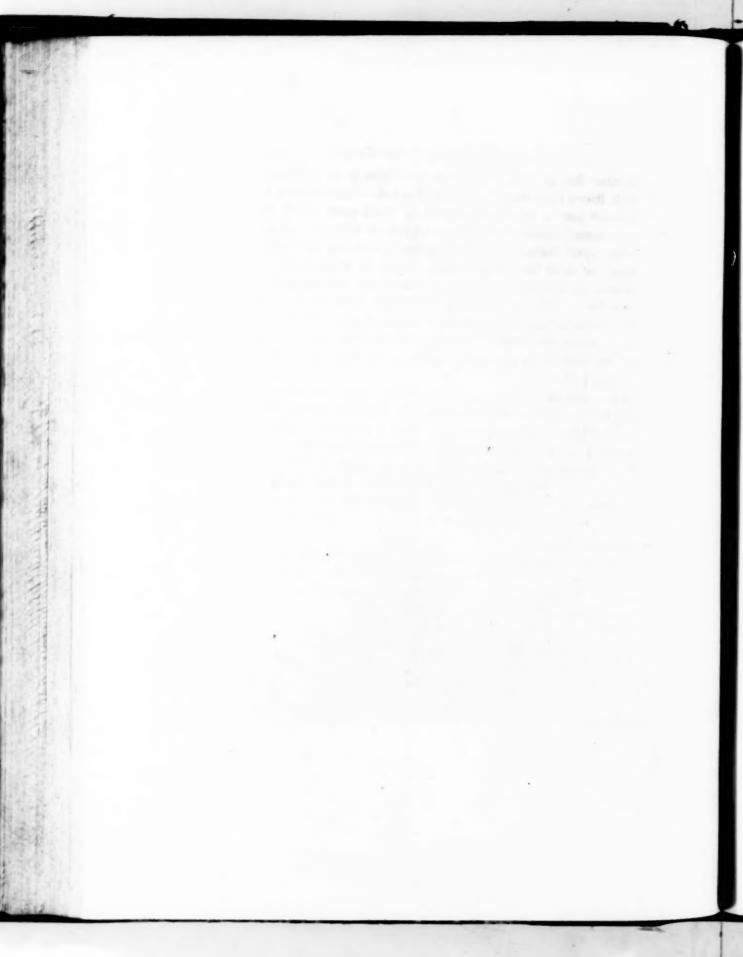
There is fomething peculiar, and worthy of notice, in the fituation of this chair. It flands at the S.W. end of a little plain, at (a) in the plan (Pl. XIV. fig. 1.) about 167 paced yards in length, which feems to have been formerly levelled, as it has a very different appearance from any other part of this rugged moor. At 67 yards N. E. of the chair, towards the middle of the plain stands the the rock idol (b), called Andle-stone, as mentioned in a former paper [d]. This I have fince more accurately examined, and find there has been a circle of stones round it; the remains of four are now visible, the rest have been broken and carried off. Near the idol are two tumuli of earth and stones, (c) (d) 36 yards in circumference. At the N. E. end at (e) are the remains of a large tumulus; another stands on the W. side at (f), and a smaller one (g), on the E. The whole of this level tpot appears to have been inclosed with a bank of earth and large stones.

[4] Archæologia, vol. VI. p. 100.

<sup>[</sup>c] I should not have omitted this curious piece of antiquity in my account of the Druidical monuments on Stanton moor, which I had the honor to lay before the Society, could I then have been certain of its antiquity.







Doctor Borlase tells us, "that this idolatry of worshiping "rude stones erect may be reckoned to have insected much the greatest part of the world, especially those parts which had any communication with Syria, Egypt, or Greece, and may with equal reason be supposed to have occasioned the erecting many of those large stones which are to be found in Britain, where the ancient Phænicians and Grecians had frequent resorts [e]." We find likewise, besides tall stones erect, "that the ancients had stone deities of various shapes; the Phænicians made the image of the sun of one black stone, round at the bottom its top ending either in the shape of a cone or wedge [f]."

This rock idol on Stanton moor plainly appears to have a conical shape, and it is not improbable but that it might have been intended for the image of the sun. That it is an idol, there cannot be, I think, the least doubt, and consequently there is reafon to suppose that this inclosed plain in which it stands was consecrated to religious purposes. Another shaped rock, (see Pl. XIV. sig. 2), which I may venture to say is a rock idol, stands upon a little knoll about two hundred yards from Harborough rocks.

At the S. end of Hartle moor, which joins Stanton moor, is an affemblage of rocks, on a hill called *Dutwoad Tor*, (see Pl. XIV. fig. 3.) Near the top is a semicircular cavity (a), 6 feet diameter, with a flat rock canopy (b) hanging over it. The cavity plainly appears to have been partly formed by art; round the edge at (c) are holes which seem to have been intended for rails. This recess commands a very extensive view, and the situation is well adapted to the superstitious rites of augurations. On the

<sup>[</sup>e] Antiquities of Cornwall, chap. ii. p. 162.

<sup>[</sup>f] Ibid. p. 168.

top of this Tor are three rock basons which plainly appear to have been cut with a wol, (Pl. XIV. sig. 4); the stone (a) is 21 feet in length.

A little to the eastward of this Tor are three Druid circles of stones, near to which the mill-stones were found, as mentioned by the Rev. Mr. Pegge, in the 6th volume of the Archæologia, p. 22.

There is, I think, great reason to suppose that these rockchairs were the occasional seats of the officiating Druid, who being near the rock-bason might conveniently consult the pure water or snow collected therein.

It is remarkable that these seats are no where to be met with but among Douidical remains: the rock basons in particular seem to be connected with them. That curious stone called Cair's chair, in Cair's work, near Hathersage, has a rock bason close to the seat, as mentioned in a former paper, which I had the honor to lay before the Society [g].

I must beg leave to observe, that no place affords a more ample field for the antiquary's investigation than the uncultivated parts of the Peak. There is hardly a crag, hill, or an assemblage of rocks, where the remains of British or Roman antiquities are not to be found.

[8] Archæologia, vol. VII. p. 176.

XX. Account of Antiquities in Lancashire. In a Letter to George Allan, E/q. F. A.S. from William Hutchinson, E/q. F. A.S.

Read Nov. 27, 1788.

DEAR SIR,

A GREEABLE to my promise, I send you drawings of the Lancashire remains I mentioned to you some time ago, with a short account taken from my minutes.

In the beginning of July 1785, being upon an excursion into Lancashire, I was led to view the British remains in the parish of Warton, about eight miles from Lancaster; my curiosity being greatly excited by the accounts given thereof in conversation with Robert Gibson, Esq. who for some months in the summer makes Yelling the place of his residence, on account of the copper-works he is projecting there.

Mr. Jepkinson, who conducts a great seminary at Yelling, where he teaches the languages, conducted us through the scenes of antiquity with peculiar attention and pleasure. At his house he shewed us two urns which his work-people reco-

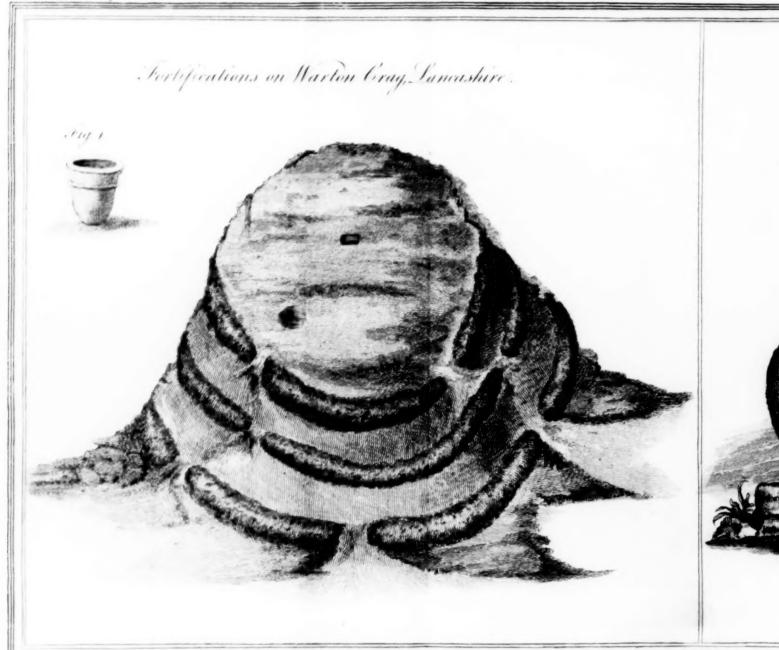
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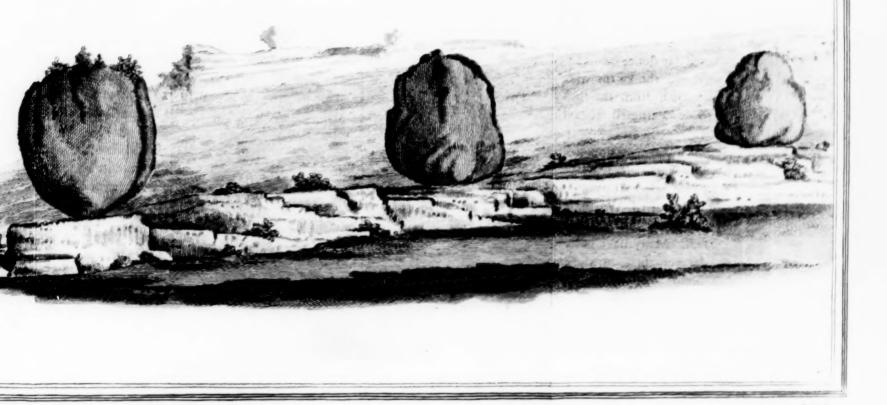
vered from kairns levelled down within his new inclosures on the tkirts of Warton Crag. One of the urns was damaged by the workmen, the other is intire; each contained affes and fragments of bones burnt black, They are of coarfe pottery, of a pale brown or earth colour, and feem to have been moulded and raifed with the hand, and not on a wheel. The metal is porous, had endured a very flight degree of fire, or was baked in the fun; each would contain three pints. The fecond is reprefented in Pl. XV. fig. 1. only the broken vafe had not the rib, as delineated. They were placed in the centers of circular kairns of a conical figure, composed of pebble stones; were secured in a small inclosure made of flat stones set on edge. forming a coffer; the mouth of each urn was covered with a small flat stone, and the coffer with a large blue flag. It is to be observed the kairns were not composed of such stones as were to be had from the rocky furface of the adjoining hill, but of pebbles gathered from the channel of some brook, or broken foil.

We have no doubt our British ancestors had the custom of burning the deceased in very distant antiquity, and probably to them belong the remains now described. The adjacent grounds at the foot of Warton Crag contain innumerable barrows or tumuli, of small dimensions, and an oblong figure, composed of earth. Many have been opened by Mr. Jenkinson, but no human remains, arms, implements, or urns, were discovered therein. The bodies which they covered probably fell in battle at different periods, and were interred without the accompanyment of such articles as were found in the larger tumuli. Many kairns, such as contain the urns, are disposed around the bill, and remain unopened.

W. W. alexander



Rockingstones.



The etymology of the name of Warton has been variously conjectured upon; and from the fortifications we are about to describe, with the kairns and tumuli before noted, Mr. Jenkinson is pleased to adopt the common acceptation; and thinks the place took its name from Werre (Teutonic), this being the frequent scene of warsare. We beg leave to mention a conjecture, that the name of this place may be of the most remote antiquity, and derived from the sages who inhabited the hill with the British tribes. The appellation of Weird was given to the British wizzards, or wise men, who possessed and practised divination; to which those ages of ignorance and superstition, and uncultivated people were particularly subject; so that conceiving the name of the place to be Weird Town, it would express it to be the town or residence of the sages and oracular priests.

Warton Crag is a lofty conical eminence, terminating obtufely, in height near 1000 feet above the level of the fea, in the bay called by Ptolemy the Bay of Morecamb. The afcent from the north is gradual, by a ridge of land; on every other fide the cliffs are rugged and almost perpendicular, so that the fummit of the hill is unaffailable but from the northern quarter. The crown of the hill forms a plain upwards of 200 paces diameter, of a circular form. In order to improve this natural strong hold, and indeed to render it impregnable, the Britons had erected three walls. The first, or uppermost wall, runs from the brick of the cliffs, on the fouth-east point, where the eminence begins to flope to the northward, along the edge of the plain, forming an extensive area, almost circular; the cliffs comprehending 300 paces, and the wall 336 paces. The ruins of this wall fill ten paces in width, and where the facings of both fides of the wall are discovered, it shews ten feet in thick-

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nefs. There are two gates or openings in this wall about fix paces wide, and nearly at equal distances, dividing the 336 paces of wall into three portions. No mortar has been used in this or any of the walls of the fortress. The furface of the area is rugged, and in most parts rocky. Towards the fouthwest side, on the highest part, is the ruin of a small square hut. where it is faid a beacon used to be fired. Near the north-east gate or opening, is a large circular cavity, about twenty paces diameter, which we apprehend was a refervoir for water. From the uppermost circumvallation, at the distance of twenty paces, a fecond wall commences at the edges of the inferior cliffs and precipices, and runs parallel with the former wall. The ruins of this wall are confiderably less than the other. There are two gates or openings in the fecond wall, not opposite to those of the inner one, but incling more to the north and west. At the distance of forty paces, is a third or outward wall, also commencing at the edges of the cliffs, and running parallel to the other walls. The ruins of this wall are not fo immense as those of the uppermost, though they are much more considerable than those of the middle wall. In this outward wall there are three gates or openings, one near the center, commanding the ridge of the hill by which the fortress was most accessible; and two fide gates almost parallel to those in the uppermost wall. Not far from this outward vallum are scattered innumerable small tumuli of the oval figure. The variation of the gates gives us an idea of the engineer's military skill who projected the works; for if an enemy by a column could force the outward gate, they must extend their front, or expose the flank of the column, in order to approach the gates in the fecond wall, and likewife the third; and thereby give the befreged

Mr. HUTCHINSON'S Account of Antiquities in Lancashire. 215 besieged are advantage over them, as they lay open to troops fighting with missile weapons under cover of their walls; for the slope of the hill is such, that men who lined the upper walls looked down upon the balliums or spaces between all the walls, and could command them with their instruments of war.

From the area you have an extensive sea and land prospect, commanding the chief part of the land of Furness on the one hand, and all the vale of Burton with Ingleborough and the chain of mountains to the north and east. This fort could annoy the Roman stations of Lancaster, Overbarrow, and Watercrook; and probably here our British heroes maintained their liberty for a considerable time, in that dreadful state of invincible virtue, indefatigable labour and hardship, and desperate bravery spoken of by Tacitus, and the Roman writers, in a language injuriously descriptive of barbarism and savage manners.

On a range of rocks a little way to the north-west of the sortifications and much below them as to elevation, are three rocking-stones, placed in a right line north and south, at equal-distances, forty seet as a great listence northward and westward, and are within sight of the place of a rocking-stone on the hill above Cartmel in Furness, cross the bay. The center stone is the largest, about 8 seet in height, and thirty in circumference. To the West, a little lower, on another ridge of rocks, are other three rocking-stones, placed in a lineal direction, but not at equal distances; these latter are smaller than the others. Innumerable basons appear in the rocks, where probably lustrations were anciently performed.

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On the edge of Silverdale Common, at a little distance from Warton Crag, is another rocking-stone of large fize, being in height ten feet, and in circumference 37 feet : it stands on the brick of a sharp hill, and loses much of its astonishing beauty by being thrown off the equipoile; for, whill it moved, it must have appeared ready to roll into a deep valley immemediately below. The inhabitants called this the Bowk-stone, a corruption of Becking-stone. The rocking-stones, it is conceived by many, were used in divination; their vibrations declaring the oracle; but how the augury was performed, or from what maxim denoted or defined, we are totally ignorant. When one of these stones is pushed violently, it reverberates for a confiderable time; and, beating upon the rock with its haunches, fends forth a deep and hollow found, which may be heard at a great distance, like the shock of an engine in the iron founderies, which shakes the air with a groan, and seems to make the earth tremble. We were struck with an idea, that they were anciently used to give alarm to the adjacent country upon the approach of an enemy; and if the fix stones mentioned were in motion at once, the noise would be heard cross the bay, and down the country many miles. How these masses were placed on fuch eminences on their point of equipoize, is not eafy to determine, when the artificer knew no other mechanical power than that of the lever: but of those matters much has already been faid by judicious inquirers. We shall only add to the foregoing description, that it must have been a curious fpectacle to have beheld Warton Crag poffeffed by its armies; and the scenes of oracular superstition crowded by their votaries and officiating ministers. The ideas which

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Besides the fortification on the hill, others of more modern ages and people appear in the vale. In one place, a square encampment; in another a circular area walled round, thirty paces in diameter, elevated considerably above the common level of the adjacent ground, and surrounded on all sides with a deep morals, except to the North-West, where a ditch is cut across a narrow neck of land leading to it. At the distance of about 100 yards are the remains of large walls, like a quay for shipping, built of freestone, which has been brought thither at the distance of several miles, the stone of the adjacent country being lime-stone. It seems as if the tide had formerly washed up the narrow gullies to this station, where the small shipping of the ancients might be moored with safety, under the protection of the circular fort or mole, which shews considerable strength.

A chain of square towers guard the sea-coast.

[a] At the distance of about a mile to the northward of the last mentioned rocking stone, on the southern inclination of a hill, are various large masses of stone, placed in an angular figure; but as no certainty could be derived from inspection, or any tradition or name obtained from the inhabitants to lead to probable conjecture, we must leave them in silence; though their very singular appearance assures us they were artificially placed in that sigure, on some notorious occasion. In another place a very large stone is seen on a basis of rock on an elevated station. This seems to have been laid open by taking down the sides of the eminence and the loose earth, till the stone was wholly discovered with the plain on which it rests. Such labour was certainly performed to leave the stone a monument of some remarkable event, or as an object of worship.

Mr. Pennant, in his Tour, passing from Kendale to Lancaster, takes no notice of Warton, or any of the antiquities in its vicinity. West, in his Guide to the Lakes, calls the works on Warton Crag, a square encampment.

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This is a country hitherto little explored by the antiquary. Mr. Gibson and Mr. Jenkinson are the only people in the neighbourhood who have yet paid any attention to the local curiosities; and that degree of observation has only lately been attracted. Mr. Jenkinson's zeal for inquiries is now roused; and, as he is possessed of a very liberal mind towards strangers, with much learning, it is to be hoped more satisfactory discoveries will be made in this tract of valuable antiquity.

I have fent you herewith a kind of bird's eye view of the fort, the better to give you an idea of the fituation of the walls, and the apertures or entrances. The magnitude of the subject cannot be conveyed. The second sketch shews you the situation of the rocking stones. Neither of the drawings are made by admeasure-

ment; as I only paced the distances.

I am, Dear Sir,

Your obliged, obedient fervant,

Barnard Castle, 12th Jan. 1788. W. HUTCHINSON.

XXI. Antiquities in Cumberland and Westmorland, by Hayman Rooke, Esq. in a letter to the Lord Bishop of Carlisle, V. P.

Read January 29, 1789.

My Lord,

Woodhouse, Dec. 30, 1788.

Have taken the liberty of troubling your Lordship with an account of some Roman antiquities I met with, last summer, in Cumberland; when I had the honour of being at Rose Castle. The Gentleman who permitted me to take drawings of these assured me that they had never hitherto been taken notice of. I shall, therefore, beg your Lordship will do me the honour to lay the memoir before the Society, should you think it worthy of their notice.

I am, with great respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's

Most obedient and Obliged humble Servant,

H. ROOKE.

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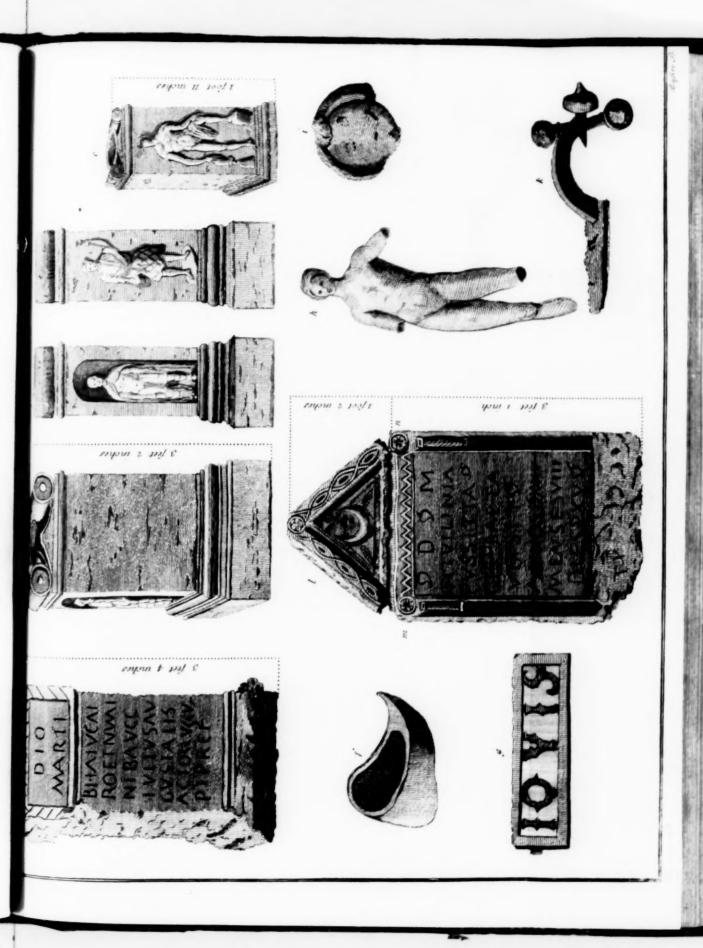
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The altar marked (a) in Pl. XVII, was found about five years ago in the Roman Fort called 'Castle-steed, at Old Penrith; which Mr. Camden supposes to be the Petriana of the Romans. In Antoninus's Itinerary it is called Voreda; and Mr. Horsley takes it to be Bremetenracum [a]. As this gentleman has given a plan of the fort, I shall only mention the inclosed spot where it was found. It appears to have been an oblong square, 20 yards by 9; the foundation of the wall is now visible on the east side of the fort, near the vallum, on which there are two tumuli; these are not in Mr. Horsley's plan.-The altar was discovered by some labourers, in digging for stones, about one foot under ground. The inscription appears legible, though the five or fix letters at the beginning of the fixth line feem to be a little doubtful. Acronivs may be defigned for the name or names of the præfect who crected the altar. The following letters, I should think, may be read libentissime vevit Pius Prefectus: but the Society will be the best judges of this — The alters (b) and (c) were found last year (1787) in making a drain in Scotch street, Carlisle. After removing near 7 feet of rubbith, the altars were discovered lying together. on a hard bed of gravel. There is not the least appearance of there having been inferiptions on these altars; so that there is reason to suppose they never were finished. On each side of the altar (b) is an elegant figure cut in high relief, but now fo mutilated that the features are not difcernible; and part of the habit of figure (d) is difficult to make out. See the fides at (a) and (e).

If any conjecture may be made from these figures, they may help to explain the occasion of this altar's erection. Figure (d)

[a] Brit. Rom. B. I. p. III.

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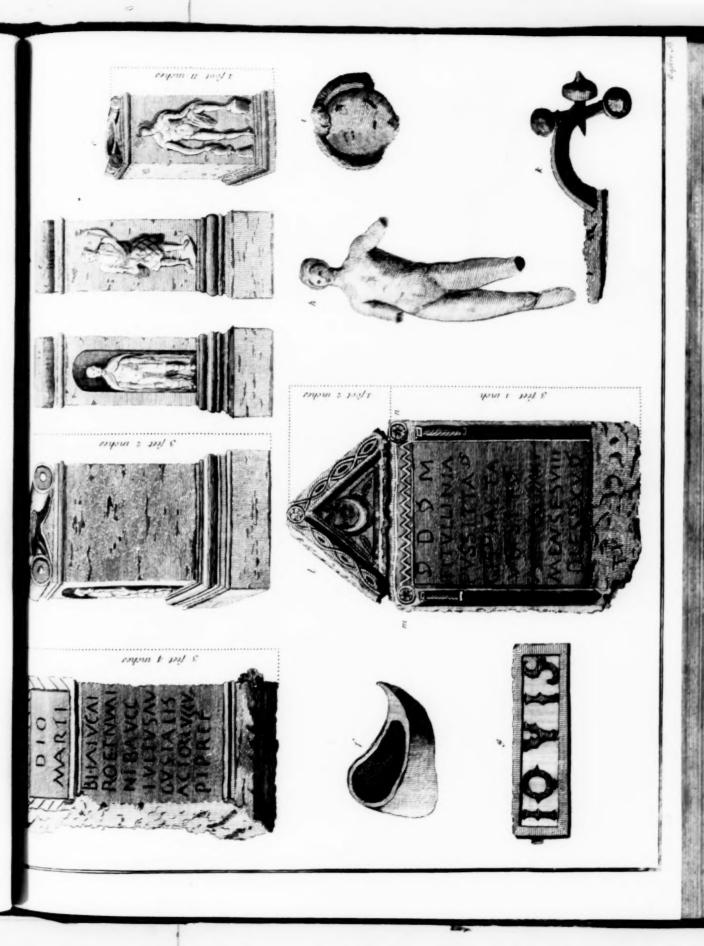
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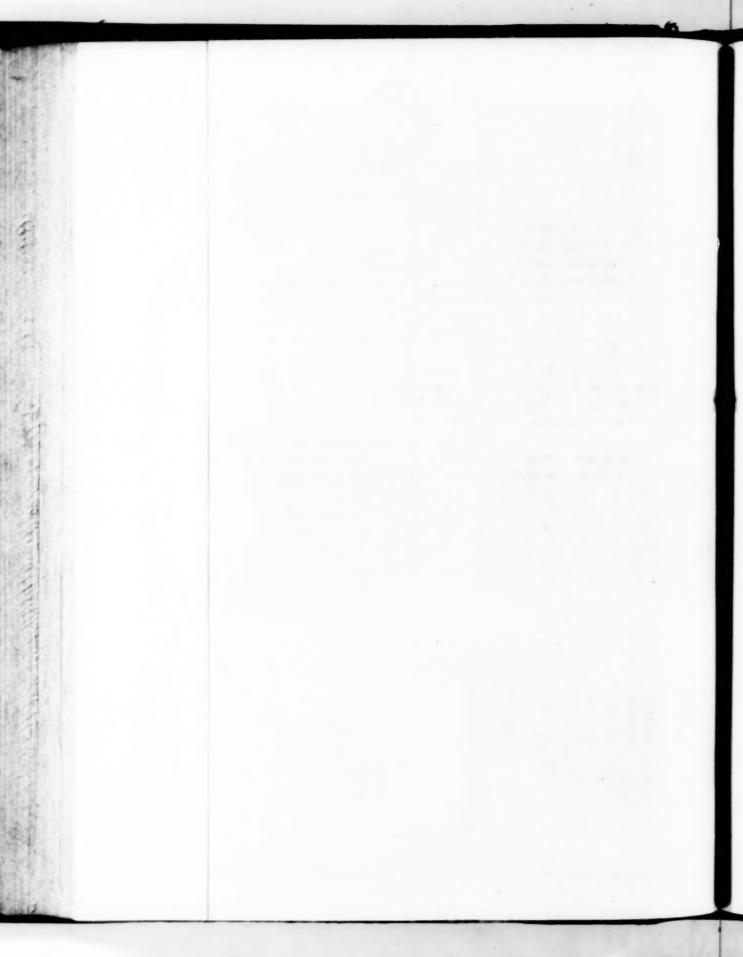
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feems to have the Cinclus Gabinus, which evidently appears to be fastened by a knot on the breast [b], and therefore probably intended to represent a general who had distinguished himself in some particular manner, and by whom the altar might be dedicated on account of the victory he had obtained.

Kennett tells us, that the Cinetus was proper only to the confuls or generals, upon some extraordinary occasions, as denouncing war, burning the fpoils of the enemy, devoting themfelves to death for the fafety of their army, and the like. The figure on the fide (e) appears to be a foldier holding up a torch in his left hand as a fignal in war, which was usual among the Romans, and may here allude to a battle, as above mentioned. In his right hand is probably a shield, which it fomewhat refembles. The little altar (c) has a very fingular figure cut in relief, which, from the horns on his head, and being almost naked, I should suppose might be intended for a rural Deity; probably Sylvanus. He feems to hold a ram in his right hand, with its head downward, as if going to be facrificed; his left is on a globe which rests upon his knee, with his foot upon fomething like an altar, but the precifer shape cannot be made out. This little altar is now at Carlifle, in the possession of the Rev. Mr. Carlisle; the other is at Mr. Harrington's in Carlifle.

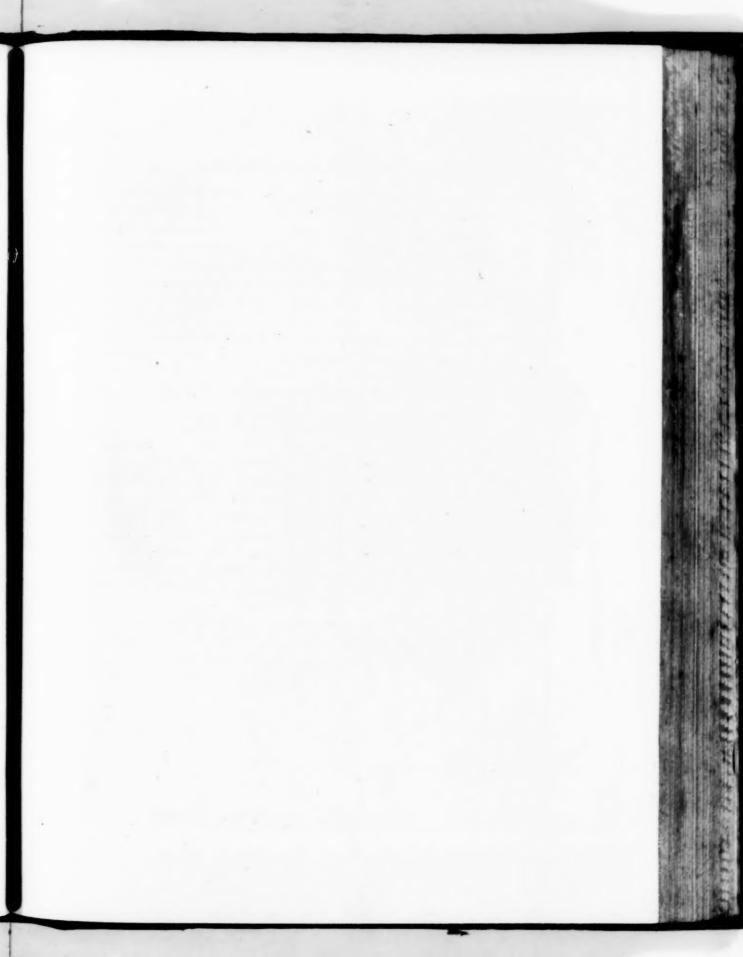
[b] The Cindus Gabinus was nothing else but when the lapper of the gown, which used to be brought up to the lest shoulder, being drawn thence, was cast off in such a manner upon the back as to come round short to the breast, and there saften in a knot, which knot or cincure tucked up the gown, and made it shorter and straighter. Kennet, Rom. Ant. B. p. 241.

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The following antiquities (f, g, b, i, k) are all of brafs, and the fize of the drawings. That marked (f) feems to have been part of a lamp, the top and focket of which is wanting. Figure (g) inscribed  $(f \circ vis)$  has a little rivet at each end, which probably fixed it to the pedestal of the little penate (b) which was found with it; (i) is a face of one of the Lares, (k) appears to be a part of a fibula. These were found at Brampton, about 12 miles from Carlisse, where Roman antiquities are frequently picked up. They are now in the possession of the Rev.Mr. Carlisse, to whom I am much indebted for his politeness on this and other occasions.

When I was at Netherby hall, the Castra exploratorum of the Romans, Sir James Graham was fo obliging as to show me his very valuable and numerous collection of antiquities found on this remarkable station. As most of these have been taken notice of, I shall only mention one that was found last spring (1788) in making a plantation near the house; see the figure (1). When it was taken up, ashes and bits of burnt bones lay scattered about, but no urn. It appears to be a sepulchral monument of a woman, whose prænomen might have been Titulinia and her nomen Pussita; but as this latter does not found like a Roman name, and as the orthography in this inscription is not very correct (as appears in the word vixfit) there is reason to suppose that Pussita might have been intended for Pofita, which answers to the sense of the inscription. Raeta may have been the name of the place where she lived. The sculpture of this monument is elegant; but the artist feems likewise to have been very negligent in this, having placed the Patera or Rose at (m) lower than that at (n) on the opposite side,

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About two miles East of Rose Castle is Broad Field, an uncultivated common on Englewood forest, and in his Grace the Duke of Portland's manor. Here are three ancient works, within half a mile of each other, forming a triangle, said to be Roman camps. Two of them undoubtedly appear to be such; but the third I shall prove to have been an inclosed place, set apart for the sole purpose of sepulture [c].

(A) in N° 1, Pl. XVIII, is a plan of the largest of these camps, called Castle-steeds [d]. It is situated on an eminence, commanding an extensive view towards the west, in the parish of Castle Sowerby, and within a quarter of a mile of the little hamlet of Stocklewath, where a brook divides the parishes of Castle Sowerby and Dalston.

The construction of this camp is singular: it is inclosed with a double ditch and vallum; in the centre are little banks of earth and undressed stones. See their positions marked (b). The outward vallum on the West side is 50 yards from the inward vallum; on the other side, the distance is only 35 yards. There is something very particular in the entrance; it begins at some distance from the outward vallum, and continues to the centre of the camp; on each side is a little vallum of earth, as described in the plan. On the inner vallum at (c) was a stone about two seet above the ground, as represented in  $\mathbb{N}^2$ , at (d). In digging round this stone, two more appeared erect, as at (b). On removing these, ashes were found under the large one, but no urn or burnt bones were to be seen. These stones evidently appear to have been placed there, as the vallum must have been partly formed when the stones were put up, they being a con-

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<sup>[</sup> $\varepsilon$ ] These works are all laid down from the same scale.

<sup>[</sup>d] This name is more usually given to those Castella that are regularly placed on Severus's wall.

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fiderable height above the level ground. (B) is a plan of the other camp called White-stones; it has only a single ditch and vallum, part of which on the fouth fide has been destroyed. About half a mile N. W. from this eamp is a square piece of ground, which has been inclosed with a little vallum of earth, erroneously called Stoneraife-camp [e]. See the plan (C). Two of the fides are now perfect, the length of each 67 yards: within this, there appears to have been another small inclosure, 34 yards by 22; from whence, I have been told, some hundred loads of stoneshave been taken for the repair of walls, &c; and, from the quantity that is left, people canclude that this must have been a Roman station, and that the stones are the remains of walls of the houses; but it will appear, upon a close examination, that the bank of loofe stones marked (a) in the plan are the remains of four carns; their circular shapes are visible, but almost destroyed, by the labourers having scattered about the fmall stones in fearch of the large ones, which were found to be of more use. Near to these are two more defaced carns: two appear at (b); and three more, very diffinct ones, at (c); the circular hole marked (d), which I opened, had no appearance of having been a carn; nor was there any thing diftinguishable, except part of a flat stone, which appeared above the surface, as represented at (c), in N° 2. Being willing to examine the shape of this stone, I employed three men to clear away the earth, which when removed, (with many large stones that had been thrown in) it plainly appeared to have been shaped, and placed on a pavement as in the drawing (e) in N° 2. Near the narrow end of this stone, was another placed erect, near which

<sup>[</sup>e] I do not find that these camps have any where been noticed.

Mr. Rooke on Antiquities in Cumberland and Westmorland. 225 lay part of a handmill, see (a) in N° 4. This, when perfect, must have been of the same size and shape as that found among some Druidical circles at Dutwoad near Hurtlesnoor, Derbyshire [g]. The turning over the great stone, to examine the pavement, required the efforts of three men. Its weight is supposed to be about three ton [b]. When removed, a thin coat of baked earth entirely covered the space on which it lay, [i]. On this was found a tooth, small bits of burnt stones and as shes. This shoor was laid upon a body of clay three inches thick, which covered the pavement of slat stones. See the plan of the pavement at (e) in N° 3. These stones were taken up, and the ground examined to the depth of one foot and a half; here the men came to a skerry which covers the natural rock.

I must here beg leave to observe, that as carns and tumuli of earth and stones were sepulchres of the Britons as well as of the Romans, it appears to me very doubtful to which of the two this extraordinary sepulchre belonged. We are told, that the Druids burnt, and afterwards buried the dead. It was not unusual for the ancient Britons to place great stones on their carns and burying places, and we have here a very singular one, shaped like a cossin. Hand mills were used by the Britons and Romans. Stoneraise, the name given to these carns, savors the supposition of their being British. There is on the road to Kendal a heap of stones called Dunmal Raise. In Bourn's and Nicholson's Antiquities of Westmorland and Cumberland, is the following account of it. "Dunmal Raise is a large mountain, a great part whereof is in the parish of Grasmere, Westmorland, over

<sup>[</sup>g] See Archæol. vol. VII. p. 19.

<sup>[</sup>b] Its length on the top 5 feet 10 inches, width 2 feet 4 inches.

<sup>[</sup>i] Specimens of which I have fent for the infpection of the Society.

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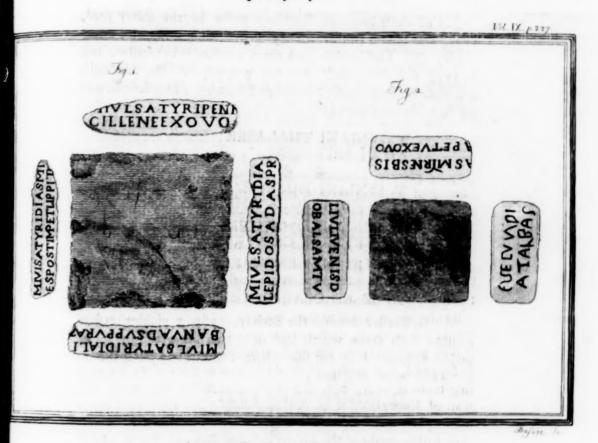
" which the highway leads, from Keswick by Emblefide to Ken-"dal. It is so called from a great heap or raise of stones, by the " highway fide, which divides Cumberland from Westmorland, " thrown together in ancient times, either by Dunmail fome " time king of Cumberland, as a mark of the utmost border of " his kingdom, or by fome other in remembrance of his name, " for some memorable act done by him there, or some victory ob-" tained over him [k]." - Neither of these I think could be the occasion of erecting this heap of stones; it is, most probably, the burying place of Dunmail.—Should the sepulchre I have been treating of be thought to be British, it, most probably, was the burying place of some considerable person, if we may judge from the construction of the stone floor, pavement, &c .- On the other hand, we know that the Romans were, for a confiderable time, in every part of Cumberland; and that it was usual for them to have their burying places at some distance from their stations. We are likewise informed that the Romans had a punish-" ment, which feems to have been proper for incendiaries, and " that was wrapping up the criminal in a fort of coat daubed over " with pitch and then fetting it on fire [/]". In this case it is to be supposed, that no regard would be paid to their ashes, by putting them in urns; but, should the malefactor happen to be a man of some rank, it is not improbable but that his friends might place a stone over his ashes, which when covered with a little earth, without the distinguishable Tumulus, his sepulchre would not be eafily discovered.

These conjectures I submit to the better judgment of the Society, whose opinion on this very singular sepulchre will, I am certain, be much more satisfactory.

[1] History of Westmoreland and Cumberland, vol. I. p. 149.

[/] Kennet, Rom. Ant. part II. p. 118.

XXII.



XXII. Observations on certain Stamps or Seals used antiently by the Oculists. By Richard Gough, Director.

Read Dec. 4, 1788.

MONG the leffer articles of antiquity there is none which has given fo much occasion for conjecture to the learned as the inscriptions on the four sides of certain small square stones, which seem to have been used by the practitioners of physic, or the compounders of drugs.

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One of these found at Bath in a cellar in the abbey yard, 1731, was shewn to this Society at that time and twice afterwards. Mr. Lethieullier gave them a cast of it in plaister, and in 1757 the stone itself was the property of Mr. Mitchell. It is square, of a greenish cast and perforated. The inscription of the four sides as follows:

- T. IVNIANI THALASER AD CLARITATEM
- T. IVNIANI HÖFSVMADOV EC VMODELICTA AMEDICIS.
- T. IVNIANI DETEVM AD VETERES CICATRICES. T. IVNIANI CRSOMAEL

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Mr. R. Forster shewed the Society, 1767, a plaister cast of another such stone which had only two sides, and was two inches square. It is not said where it was sound; but the inscriptions were as follow:

#### Q. IVL. MVRRANI MELI NVM AD CLARITATES

#### Q. IVL. MVRRANI. STACTV M. OPOBALSAMAT AD CAP.

Mr. Forster explained the first as a beauty wash or paint, and understands Claritates of clearing the complexion. He reads the second Statum opobalsamatum. Statte he says is a fluid balm just drawn from the tree, and Opobalsamum the samous balm of Gilead or Mecca: so that the owner here recommends his drug as the fresh fluid ointment extracted from the true balm tree, and sit to anoint the head with, as the Romans were wont to do at sumptuous entertainments.

A stone

A stone very like the latter of these, and said to have been found at Gloucester, has been published in Haym's "Tesoro Britannico," with a Differtation by Mr. Chishull. The inscription is as follows:

# Q. IVL. MVRANI MELINVM AD CLARITATEM Q. IVL. MVL. MVRANI STAGIVM OPOBALSAMATAD

Stagium may be mifread for Stactum, and then this stone will correspond with the foregoing.

These are the only instances hitherto in our own country. On the Continent they are so numerous as to have furnished materials for learned Dissertations by Professor Walch at Jena [a], and Christian Saxius at Utrecht, in both which are collected no fewer than eighteen specimens of this kind.

The two first were published by Schmidt in his Antiquities of Nimeguen, p. 97, who profest his ignorance of their meaning. They were of green stone about an inch square, and three quarters of an inch thick, circumscribed in capitals.

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[a] "Sigillum medici Ocularii Romani nuper in agro Jenensi repertum & obfervationibus illustratum a Jo. Ern. Imman. Walchio, Eloquent. & Foes. Pres. Pub. Ord. Societ. Lat. Jenens. Directore. Accedunt reliqua sigilla & inscriptiones medicorum oculariorum veterum. Jenæ, 1763."

"Epistola ad Henricum van Wyndetum urbi Brielanæ a consiliis publico suffragii jure, &c. de veteris medici ocularii gemma sphragide prope Trajectum ad Mosam nuper eruta. Traj. ad Rhen. 1773," 8vo.

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These Spon republished in his "Miscellanea Eruditæ Antiquitatis," p. 237; and explains them thus:

"M. Ulpius Heracles was a maker or feller of ointments, of which Stratioticum is called by Scribonius Largus [b] and his copyist Marcellus Empiricus [c], an eye salve for dimness and roughness in the eyes; the latter explains it as intended for soldiers whose eyes are liable to be injured by dust or fatigue.

Dalasse rosa on the other side is explained by Caylus as compounded of sea water, and to be read Thalasseron, which occurs in Aetius [d]. Diarodon may be Pliny's Rhodanum, and the modern composition or syrup of roses. Ad imp. or ad impetum implies that it is good for the disorder in the eyes called impetus by the same Marcellus, who speaks of Collyrium ad lippitudines of primes impetus oculorum, meaning the first attack of the complaint. Caylus explains impetus inflammation, Saxius, p. 27, defluxion.

<sup>[</sup>h] Composit. med. c. IV. n. 23, p. 32.

<sup>[4]</sup> Lib. de med.

<sup>[</sup>d] VIII. p. 147.

Cycnarium on the last side is the eye salve called by Galen and Orybasius Cycnus, white and soft, and by Aetius Cycnarium.

As to the terms on the other stone given by Schimdt, Pliny, N. H. XIII. 1. mentions Melinum, and Galen[e], and Athenæus [f] recommend it in the drinking matches as good for the bowels and inveterate lethargies. Saxius thinks it the alumn of Melos, celebrated by Celsus, Galen, and Pliny.

Diamysus is a mineral composition, of which see Marcus Empiricus, VIII. 72, and Pliny XXXIV. 31. Marcellus mentions

Diamysios, as good ad asperitudines oculorum.

Tipinum is supposed a corruption for Pituinum, Lirinum, or Pyxinum; Diarices may be Diacrocon of Celsus, Aetius, and P. Egineta, or Dialoes of Empiricus, Egineta, and Pliny: or as others Dierices. Of these the learned physician professes his ignorance.

The other stone, which he first published from Pieresc's papers, is as follows:

Sabiniani Chloron ad clar.

This is an eye salve of a green colour to restore the brightness of the eye sight. Ad claritudinem.

C. Cap. Sabiniani nar dinium ad impetum.

A composition of spikenard mentioned by Aetius still in use: also by Pliny, XIII. r.

C. Cap. Sabiniani Diab foricum ad calig.

[1] Lib. 2. de Comp. Med.

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A remedy against dimness mentioned by Marcellus and Pliny XXXIV. 29. who write only Pforicum.

Sabiniani Cheledon ad cla.

The use of Cheledonium to clear the fight is mentioned by Pliny, XXV. 8.

A fourth specimen is produced by Massei in his "Galliæ Antiquitates," p. 75, from Dijon, inscribed,

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Some fill up the first inscription Diasmyrnon evodes; others,

Diasmyrnon ad epiphoras.

Isochrysus is the name of a physician in Galen IV. de Claris Medicis, p. 218. From him, perhaps, some eye salve had its name; or it may be a medicine for the eyes, equal in virtue to the Holochrysus, a plant in Pliny, XXI. 85. Diapsaronium may be the Psaronium of the same naturalist, XXXVI. 43. a stone used in cases of the eyes.

Diarbodon

Diarbodon ad fervorem, feems a falve or water of rofes for inflammations in the eyes. Perhaps diafmyruum ad fervorem may be the true reading of the first fide.

The fifth was found in Normandy, in the diocese of Coutance, near St. Mercure de l'Isle, and described in the Mercure Francois of July 1729, and October 1734. Besides the inscriptions, it has the figures of plants or parts of animals, probably used in the composition, and herein it resembles the two first in this paper.

The infcriptions are,

QVINTILIANI STACTADCLA.

QVINTILIANI DIALEPID.

Q. CAER QVINTIL
ANI DIASMYRN.

QVINTILANI CROCOD.

This oculist's name was Quintus Cærealis Quintilianus.

Statt ad claris. is Statte ad claritatem as before.

Collyrium Dialepidos occurs in Marcus Empiricus, c. VIII. p. 72.

Diasmyrnos has occurred before.

Crocodes is mentioned by Celfus. VI. 6. and Pliny XXI. 82. as an eye falve.

N° VI. found at Befançon, 1732, is described by M. Dunod, in his history of the Sequani, I. p. 205.

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G. Stat. Sabiniani Diacherale.

Which some explain from  $\chi_{np}$  echinus to be some preparation from the ashes of an hedgehog, as in Pliny XXXII. 23. of a magical nature for removing inflammations in the corners of the eyes. Saxius proposes to read it DIAKER, q. d. dia repasse, or from hartshorn, as Pliny XXXIII. 47.

N° VII. Another from Befançon, communicated by M. Scheenflin to Count Caylus.

L. Sacci Menander Chelidonium, ad Ca

Chelidonium has been explained above: ad Ca. is ad Caliginem, q. d. to remove dimness.

L. Sacci Menander Melenium delacr.

L. Sacci Menandri Thalafferos delac.

L. Sacci Menan Diasphoric ad Sc.

The two first of these remedies, already treated of, are here applied to the desects or humours of the eye. Collyrium liquidum delachrymatorium is mentioned by Marcus Empiricus, c. 8. p. 72.

Diafphoricum has been explained already. Ad fc. means ad feabritiem, a complaint in the eyes, frequently mentioned by Pliny, XXXIV. 32. XXXV. 13, 52. Celfus, VI. 6.

N° VIII. from Mandeurre was published in Muratori's Novus Thefaurus, DVIII. and from Schæpflin's papers by Caylus.

C. Sulp. Hypni stactum opob. ad c.

Hypni crocod. dialepid. ad aspri.

Hypni lifiponum ad suppurationem.

Hypni cœnon ad claritatem.

The remedies used by Caius Sulpicius Hypnus are like the preceding Stactum, Opobalfamum, Crocoaes, Dialepidos; and the complaints suppurationes, appritudo, dimness (ad claritatem) which may be exprest by ad. c. in the first line. Canon is some

common

common collyrium in use at the time, and occurring on another of these stones.

N° IX. is from Sienna in Gori's Infcriptiones Florentinæ, part II. and Muratori DVIII. 4.

P. Ael. Theophiletis. Cœnona ad clar. Stactum Ael.

Of Conon, see under No VIII. Stactum ael may be Stactum ad lippitudines.

N° X. Is given by Maffei in his Museum Veronense, p. CXXXV. n. inscribed.

Dianusus AD V J. CI.

which is to be read, Dianusus ad vulnera et cicatrices.

PacciAI ad Diat.

Paccianum is a particular eye-falve, mentioned by Aetius, VII. p. 147, from Paccius Antiochus, a celebrated physician cited by Scribonius Largus, Marcellus Empiricus, Galen, and others.

Diathefis is a complaint in the eyes mentioned by Marcellus Empiricus, c. viii. p. 72.

N° XI. Is a fragment in the King of France's cabinet, engraved by Caylus, I. p. 231.

Flaviani

in lenem ad

utidinem ocul°.

which he reads:

Decimi P. Flaviani

Collyrium lenem ad

Afpritudinem oculorum.

lenem for lene, the collyrium adnulov & anakov of the Greeks.

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Profest r Walch reads lenementum for lenimentum; Saxius lene medicamentum.

On the other fide,

Decmi, P. Flavi ani Collyrium mixtum C.

Collyrium mixtum is the μεμιγμένου of Euelpis in Celfus, VI. c. vi. n. 17. 18.

N° XII. Caylus gives another at Paris without any person's name, but only of the compositions.

1. Lenem ad impe

q. d. Lenementum ad impetum.

2. Ad Caliginem

3. Post impetum

4. Ad Aspritudines.

N° XIII. Is in the cabinet of Antiquities belonging to the Jesuits at Lyons, and is thus described by Pere Beraud, and copied into the Gentleman's Magazine, Vol. XLVIII. p. 472.

 C. Cintufmini Blandi Eurodes ad Afpr.

2. C. Cintus Blan di Diapforopo.

3. C. Cintus Blan di Diasmyrne.

 C. Cintus Blan di Sponc. Leni.

The terms on the three first sides have already occurred. The fourth expresses some application to the eyes in which sponges were concerned, of which see Pliny XXXI. 47. Diofcorides (lib. v.) says that burnt sponges steept in vinegar are good in the lippitude, and in all other cases requiring detergents and astringents. On the first and third sides are sigures of plants, probably

probably of those, whence the myrrh, a principal ingredient in these collyria, distils.

N° XIV. The subject of Professor Walch's tract was found at Jena among the sand, and washed down by the river there. The stone is described as opaque, of the jasper kind and of a greenish cast, square, and of a moderate thickness, a slat polished surface, but somewhat worn by time, perforated in the middle, as if for putting it occasionally on a sile. The inscription cut inversely as on seals sull of abbreviations.

PHR°NIM DIAPSOR OPOBALSAD CLAR.

PHR'N MIASMRN
POST MPELIPEX'V.

PHR•NIMEV6DES ADASPRIT.ET.CIK.

PHR'NIMI PENICIL ADOMNEM LIPPIT.

Of the infcription on the first side we have treated before.

The fecond may be read:

Diasmyrnes post impetum lippitudinis ex oculo ulcerato or ex oculi ulceribus.

Scribonius Largus describes a collyrium for wounds in the eyes.

The third fide treats of one for afpritudines & "cicatrices recentes." See Scribonius Largus, and Marcus Empiricus.

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The penicillus on the fourth fide is that which Pliny recommends, made of sponges, XXXI. 47. Hence one may conjecture that the sponges mentioned before were of this kind and for this use. Others explain it penicillum lene ex ovo, a soft spunge dipt in the white of an egg, and applied to the eye, recommended by Celsus, VI. vi. n. 8.

N° XV. and XVI. were found at Nismes, and communicated by Monsieur Seguier to Professor Walch. The first, without a name, recites the Pforicum, Crocodes, Aromatica, and Melinum.

The other is inscribed,

### CLADO GALBADCICA.

q. d. Claudii Crocodes Galbaneus ad cicatrices, a composition of Crocodes and Galbanum, or the το δια Γαλβανης Χλωρον of Actius. Pliny says (XXIV. 13.) Galbanum is of a nature similar to Hammoniacum, which last is of great use in restoring the sight, and removing itchings, scars, and white spots from the eyes.

N° XVII. The subject of Saxius's treatise was found in the forest of Valkenburgh, about two leagues from Mæstricht, near Ravensborch. It is one-third of an inch in thickness, of a dark green colour, like the Molochitis or Malachites of Pliny XXXVII. 36, or rather ash coloured, or deep grey; the insides bearing the following inscriptions cut in inversely, and from right to left.

 C. Lucci Alexandri dial epidos ad afpritudine.

- 2. C. Lucci Alexandri lene ad omnem lippitudine.
- 3. C. Lucci Alexandri ad cali cines ed Scabr+ias omnes.
- C. Lucci Alexandri Croco des at aspritudines.

in which there are very few differences from the foregoing articles, except worse orthography and the introduction of a new complaint, scabritie.

No XVIII. In the possession of Francis Dowse, Esq. of Grays Inn, a member of this Society, who communicated it to the Gentleman's Magazine for October 1778, Vol. XLVIII. p. 472. It is engraved at the head of this article, fig. 1.

- M. Jul. Satyri Diafmy rnes post impet. lippit.
- 2. M. Jul. Satyri peni cil. lene ex ovo.
- 3. M. Jul. Satyri dia lepides ad afpr.
- 4. M. Jul. Satryi Diali banu ad fuppurat.

In the second, the use of the penicillum for applying white of egg as before-mentioned is clearly expressed. In the sourth, and suppurationes, is a new case: sore eyes; and the remedy dialepidos, explained dialebanus as compounded of frankincense, Ascaros.

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I have been thus long in the detail of a variety of instances of these stamps or seals employed by the professors of Opthalmiatrics among the antients, in order to introduce one additional specimen which I now offer to the inspection of the Society\*; of an inferior sort indeed to those already described, being inscribed only on three of the four sides, and on one of them in characters of a rude and negligent form.

On one fide is infcribed,

LIVLIVENISD O BALSAM TV.

On the other,

ASMVR NESBIS
IPETV EX OVO.

On the third, in rude characters,

FISELVVIDI ATAK BAL.

From which we learn that the owner's name was Fl. or Flavius Secundus, and that his composition was made up of opobal-famum and myrrh, and the white of egg, as others beforementioned.

The profession of an Oculist appears to have been distinct from that of other branches of medical science. Thus we have in Gruter (DLXXXI.) an inscription at Rome:

ATTIA P. L.
HILARITAS
V.AN.XXIX

P.ATTIVS.ATIMĒTVS
AVG. MEDICVS AB OCVL.
H.S.E.

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<sup>\*</sup> See it engraved at the head of this paper, fig. 2.

commemorating P. Attius Atimetus, Oculist to the Emperor, but to which of the Emperors is not specified. It is remarkable too, that a branch of some tree or plant is insculped on this sepulchral stone as on those in question.

Another sepulchral inscription at Rome in the same collection, and in the same page of Gruter, n. 8. runs thus:

TI. IVLIVS
AVG. ET
AVGVSTAE L.
CVTISONVS. \*
MEDICVS
OCVLARIVS
H. S. E.

A third sepulchral cippus, dug up near Tivoli 1602, and preferved at Rome (Gruter, MCXI.) has

> TIBERIVS. + TI. CAESAR AVG. SER. CELADIANVS MEDICVS OCVLARIVS PIVS. PARENTIVM SVORVM VIXIT. ANNOS. XXX. HIC. SITVS EST IN PERPET.

Reinefius (Class. XI. 8) gives from Bartholinus:

Q. CLODIVS Q. L. NIGER MEDICVS OCVLAR. SIBI ET Q. CLODIO. Q. L. SALVIO PATRONO.

Others might be alledged from later collections of infcriptions, all confpiring to prove this affertion.

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<sup>·</sup> Pighius' MS. reads, CYLISORVS.

<sup>+</sup> Others have copied it ILLVSTRIVS.

Count Caylus has engraved a rude earthen box or case, which formerly contained some of these collyria, and bears this inferription:

## CDVRONCTET CHELIDOAD CAL.

which Saxius reads differently from him and Walch:

Caii Duronici Tetii Chelidonium ad caliginem.

From the general turn of the infcriptions on these little green stones, we may conclude, that either the Collyria themselves were moulded up in the form of a passe and stamped with them, or that the impression of these stamps was imprinted, on the wrappers wherein they were done up. In the latter case, we have an additional instance of the near approach of the antients to the art of printing, confirming an observation of the late Abbé Winkelman, in his letter on the discoveries at Herculaneum; that they advanced so near to the metal types, that it is associated as the circulation of knowledge, in a so much quicker and easier mode than by transcribing manuscripts.

XXIII. Extract from a MS. in the Augmentation Office. Communicated by John Caley, Efq. F. A.S. In a letter to the Rev. Mr. Brand, Secretary.

Read Jan. 8, 1789.

" Dear Sir,

"I take the liberty of fending you the inclosed for your infpction. It is a faithful transcript of a manuscript remaining
in the Augmentation office, which has the fign manual of
King Henry the Eighth. It contains some particulars
respecting the dresses in his reign, which may perhaps be
thought proper to accompany the collections of the Society
of Antiquaries which concern the houshold establishments of
our Sovereigns. At any rate, if you think it sufficiently
curious, I will trouble you to read it to that learned body
the first convenient opportunity.

" I am, dear Sir,

" Your very humble servant,

Gray's Inn, Jan. 7th, 1789.

"JOHN CALEY."

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## HENRY R.

By the King.

TEE wolle and com'ande you, that of our treasure and money being in youre custodie and keeping, Ye furthwith upon the fight herof contente and paye unto alle theife parsons whose names followe, for such parcellis of stuffe and workmanship as p'ticularlie ensue, that is to wite; ffyrste, to John Malte oure Tillor, for making of a jacquette of yalowe fatten, enbrowdered with Venysse golde, cutte and lyned with fatten, s'cenette, and frise, the yalowe fatten of oure store, and alle the lynyng of oure greate warderobe. It'm, fourtene buttons of gold, employed to a dublette of white fatten cutte and fringed with golde, the buttons of oure greate warderobe, and alle the refidue of oure owne store. It'm, for eight and twentye buttons of golde employed to two like dublettis of our flore, and the buttons of our great warderobe. It'm for making of a dublette of yallowe fatten enbrowdered with golde of oure flore, lyned with farcenette, fustian, and creeste clothe, and also the ventes lyned with farcenette, of our greate warderobe. It'm for making of a jaquette of yalowe damaske enbrowdered with golde of oure store, lyned with yalowe fatten and cotton of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of a dublette of yalowe damaske, enbrowdered with golde of oure store, lyned as welle with yalowe farcenette, fustian, and creeste clothe, as also with white sarcenette, of our greate warderobe. It'm for eight and twentye buttons of golde employed as well to the faide dublette of yalowe fatten, as also to the forsaide dublette of yelow damaske, all oure greate warderobe. It'm for one yarde and a halfe of yalowe fatten employed to the p'formance

of the faide dublette and jacquette of like fatten, of our greate warderobe. It'm for making of a clooke of skarlette with a brode garde of right crymfen veluette, all of oure greate warderobe. It'm for fyxe ellis of yalowe farcenette, fyxe ellis of carnacion-coloured farcenette, and three ellis of white farcenette, delyuered to William Crofton, oure hoofyar, for lynyng of oure hoose, all of oure greate warderobe. It'm for syxe yardis of white flanelle, delvuered for oure use into the wardcrobe of our roobis, all of oure greate warderobe. It'm for one dufsen brushes, and one dussen and a halfe of rubbers delyvered to like use into oure said warderobe of our roobis, all of our great warderobe. It'm for making of a jacquette of blacke veluette. enbrowdered with lace of oure flore, and lyned with fatten of our greate warderobe. It'm for making of a jacquette of black veluette embrowdered with Venysse golde of our store, lyned with fatten and cotton of oure greate warderobe. making of a shamewe of blacke printed fatten embrowdered with damaske golde, and furred with luzardis of our store, the bodies and fleevis lyned with bokerham of our greate warderobe. It'm for making of a dublette of carnacion-coloured fatten, embrowdered with damaske golde of our store, cutte and lyned with carnacion coloured farcenette, fullian, and creaste clothe, and the ventes with white farcenette of oure faid dublette, alle of our greate warderobe. It'm for fourtene buttons of golde, employed to oure faid dublette all of our greate warderobe. It'm for making of a syding coote of grene clothe, with a brode garde of greene veluette, fette on with lace, and lyned with grene fatten, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of a short coote of grene clothe, with a brode garde of grene veluette fette on with lace, and lyned with grene fatten, alle of oure greate wa decobe. It'm for making of a clooke of grene clothe, with a brode garde

of grene veluette fett on with lace, all of our greate warderobe. It'm for making of a hatte of green veluette, lyned with grene farcenette, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for two boultis of threede blacke and greye delyuered for oure use into the warderobe of oure roopis, all of oure greate warderobe. It'm for halfe a pounde of threede of fondrye colours in like maner delyuered for oure use, into the warderobe of oure saide roobis, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for translating of a gowne of blacke veluette, and newe lyning of the fame with clothe of golde, all of oure store. It'm for making of a jacquette of earnacion-coloured veluette enbrowdered with golde of oure store, lyned with carnacion-coloured fatten, and cotton of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of a dublette of carnacion-coloured veluette, enbrowdered with damaske golde of oure store, lyned with carna ion-coloured farcenette, fustain, and creeste clothe, and the ventes with white farcenette of oure greate warderobe. It'm for fourtene buttons of golde employed to the same dubblette, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of a dublette of white fatten, cutte and fringed with Venysse golde of oure flore, lyned with white farcenette, fustian, and creeste clothe, the ventes likewife lyned with farcenette of oure greate warderobe. It'm for fourtene buttons of golde employed to the fame dublette alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of a ryding coote of grene veluette, enbrowdered with lace of grene filke, and lyned with grene fatten, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of a coote of grene damaske, with a brode garde of grene veluette fet on with lace, lyned with grene damaske satten of Brudgies, and cotton, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of two peticootes of white taffata. lyned with the same taffata, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making a gowne of white damaske embrowdered and lyned with white veluette of oure flore, the fleeves lyned with bokerham

bokerham of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of a gowne of crymfen printed fatten, enbrowdered and lyned with crymsen veluette, all of oure store, the sleeves lyned with bokerham, of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of a Spanythe clooke of crymfen clothe of golde, enbrowdered and lyned with crymfen veluette, alle of oure store. making of a Spanyshe clooke of grene tynfelle, enbrowdered and lyned with grene veluette, alle of oure store. It'm for making of a Spanyshe clooke of purple casse damaske, enbrowdered and lyned with purple veluette, all of our store. It'm for making of newe bodye to a riche dubblette of crymfen fatten of oure store, lyned with fustian, and the ventes with farcenette of our greate warderobe. It'm for fourtene buttons of golde employed to the fame dublette, all of our greate warderobe. It'm for making of a coote with the fleevis of purple fatten of our store, garded with purple veluette, lyned with fatten and cotton of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of foure flomachers of fatten, of carnacion, crymfon, white, and blacke coloures, everye of them lyned with the same satten, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of a hatte of grene veluette, embrowdered with grene filke lace, and lyned with grene farcenette, all of our greate warderobe. It'm for making of three cappies of veluette, the one yalowe, the other orange coloure, and the thirde grene; everye of them lyned with the fame veluette, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of fyxe halfe cases of yalowe cotton for the clene keping of fyxe of oure riche clookys, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for halfe a yarde of white fatten, and halfe a yarde of grene fatten, delyuered for oure use into the warderobe of oure roobis, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for fatten of fondrye colours, employed to the baggis of alle oure forenamed

cootes and jaquettes, of oure greate warderobe. It'm for twentye yardis three quarters and a halfe of grene fatten, delyuered by oure commandemente, to our derest wysfe the Oucene, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for thurteen vardis and a halfe and halfe a quarter of grene clothe of golde checked, likewife delyuered by our fame com'andemente, to oure faid wyife, alle of oure forenamed greate warderobe. It'm for making of a long gowne of unwatered chamblette, edged with the fame chamblette, furred with conve and lambe, alle of oure greate warderobe, for Culpepir oure page. It'm for making of a coote of blacke lukys veluette, with a brode garde of the same veluette, sette on with soure laces of silke, lyned with purple farcenette and fryse, alle of oure greate warderobe, for oure faid page. It'm for making of a dublette of blacke lukys veluette, lyned with purple farcenette, fustian and canvas, alle of oure greate warderobe, for oure same page. It'm for making of a doublette of blacke fatten, edged with blacke veluette, lyned with fustian and canvas, alle of oure greate warderobe, for our page aforefaid. It'm for making of three cootys of grene clothe flyched with grene filke, having buttons of like fylke, lyned with frife and fustian, alle of oure greate warderobe, for the three officers of our roobys. It'm for making of two cootys of green clothe flyched with grene filke, having buttons of like filke, lyned with frife and fultian, alle of oure greate warderobe for oure two barbours. It'm for making of fyve cootys of grene clothe flyched with grene filke, having buttons of like filke, lyned with fryse and fustian, all of oure greate warderobe, for five groomes of oure preavie chambre. It'm for making of three cootys of grene clothe, gardid with brode gardes of grene veluette fette on with foure laces of grene filke, having buttons of like filke, lyned with fryfe and fustian

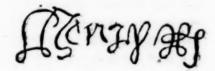
fustian, alle of oure greate warderobe, for Marke Philip, and Culpepir, of oure preavie chamber. It'm for fatten employed to the lyning of the ventes and collers of the faid cootys, all of oure greate warderobe. It'm for fustian employed to the baggis of the same cootys of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of a coote of red clothe boordrid with blacke veluette, and lyned with fryse, alle of oure greate warderobe, for William Crofton oure hoofyar. It'm for making of a coote of red clothe, lyned with fryse, alle of oure greate warderobe for oure sporyar. It'm for blacke veluette, employed to the boodering of three-score and seevyn red cootes, for three-score and seevyen yomen of oure garde, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of a dubblette of wursteede, lyned with canvas and cotton, alle of oure greate warderobe, for William Som'ar, oure foole. It'm for making of a coote and a cappe of grene clothe, fringed with red crule, and lyned with fryse, alle of oure greate warderobe, for our faide foole. It'm for making of a dublette of fustian, lyned with cotton and canvas, alle of oure greate warderobe, for oure fame foole. It'm for making of a coote of grene clothe, with a hoode to the fame, fringed with white crule lyned with fryfe and bokerham, alle of oure greate warderobe, for oure foole aforesaid. It'm for making of a do coote with a hoode of grene clothe, fringed with crule of red and white colours, and lyned with bokerham, alle of oure greate warderobe, for oure faid foole. To Thomas Addington, oure skynner for furring of a frocke of blacke satten enbrowdered with golde, with twelve lufarne skynnes, paries and four of leopardes woomes, alle of our greate warderobe. It'm for furring of a paire of bulkynnes, with twelve white lambe skynnes, and Tyxe blacke conye skynnes, all of oure greate warderobe. To Leetice Worlop, oure filkewoman, for two pecis of reabande, VOL. IX. Kk

the one white, and the other red, containing togeder in length one and fourtye yardes, and either peice in bredth three navles for oure fockis, alle of oure greate warderobe, It'm for foure pecis of coleyne reabande of div'se colours containing togeder in length, fyve-score yardis, and everye pece in bredith three nayles, for oure gurdiles, all of oure greate warderobe. It'm for three pecis of cappe reabande, and fyxe pecis of Venysse reabande, pennye bredith of div'se colours and for div'te purpofes, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for fyxe pecis of gartering reabande of div'se colours containing togeders in length, one hundrith, one and fourtye yardes and a halfe, alle of oure great warderobe. It'm for fyve grooffe and a halfe of reabande poyntes of feveralle colours, alle of oure greate warderobe. To William Crofton, oure hoofyar, for making of two paire of hoofe of skarlette, the one paire upperflocked with valowe damaske, and the other paire with valowe fatten, either paire enbrowdered with golde, and lyned with fyne white clothe, the damaske and satten of oure store, the fkarlette and white clothe of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of a paire of hoofe, upper stocked with carnacion-coloured fatten, cutte and enprowdered with golde, and also lyned with fyne white clothe, with two paire of nether-stockis, the one paire skarlette, and the other paire blacke carfye, the fatten of oure store, the skarlette, blacke carfye, and white lyninge of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of one paire of hoose of carnacion coloured cariye, upper stocked with carnacion-coloured veluette, cutte and enbrowdered with golde. and lyned as well with carnacion-coloured farcenette, as also with fyne white clothe, the veluette and farcenette of oure store, the carnacion clothe, and white clothe of oure greate warderole. It'm for making a paire of hoose of white carfye upper flocked with white fatten, cutte and fringed with golde, and lyned

lyned as well with white farcenette as also with fyne white clothe, the fatten and farcenette of oure store, the white carrye and white lynyng of oure greate warderobe. It'm for tranflating, as well of a paire of upper stockis of purple veluette embroidered with golde and tuffed with cameryke of oure flore, as also for making of a newe paire of nether stockis of blacke carfye to the fame togeders with one lynying of the fame upper stockis with fyne white clothe, the black carfye and white lynyng of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of a paire of hoose of grene clothe upper stocked with grene veluette. fringed with golde, and lyned as welle with grene farcenette as also with fyne white clothe, the veluette of oure store, the grene clothe, farcenette, and white lynyng, of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of a paire of hoose of orange-coloured clothe upper flocked with veluette of the fame coloure, fringed with filver, and lyned as well with orange-coloured farcenette as also with fyne white clothe, the veluette of oure store, the orangecoloured clothe farcenette, and white lynyng of oure greate warderobe. It'm for a paire of boote hoofe of blacke clothe with two paire fockis of the same clothe, alle of our greate warderobe. It'm for two yardis of black clothe delyuered to Henrye Cornelys our cordewaner, for the lynyng of oure bulkynnes, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for halfe a yarde of white clothe delyured for oure roobis, of our greate warderobe. It'm for a pair of nether stocks of yalowe clothe likewife delyuered for oure use into the saide warderobe of oure robis, of oure greate warderobe. It'm for making of foure fockis for our use, whereof one of taffata, and three of Genneva clothe, everye of them embrowdered with filke and hand with fkarlette, all of oure greate warderobe. It'm for thirtie paire of hofe, and thirtie paire of base sockis of tyne lynnen clothe K k 2

clothe for oure use, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for two paire of hoofe of blewe clothe, gardid with red and blacke clothe, alle of oure greate warderobe, for William Som'eroure foole. To Henrye Johnsone, our cordewaner for twentie yardis of veluette of dyv'te colours, alle of oure greate warderobe. le'm for making of three paire of veluette buskynnes, and nyne and thirtie paire of veluette shooys of fondrye colours for oure use, all of oure greate warderobe. It'm for syxe paire of Englith lether bootys, and fyxe paire of Spanythe lether bufkynnes, alle of oure greate warderobe. It'm for fooling of fyxe paire of shooys with feltys, to pleye in at tenneys, of oure greate warderobe. To William Sporyar, for foure and twentie paire of spores, whereof twelve paire of veluette, and twelve paire of lether, alle of oure greate warderobe. And thefe our L'res, shall be unto you a sufficiente warrante and discharge anempste us at alle tymes heraftir in this behalfe. Geven undre oure figue manuelle, at oure castille of Wyndesore, the axviijth daye of June, in the xxvij yere of oure reigne.

> To oure trustie and right well beloved counfaillor the Lorde Windsore, Keper of oure greate warderobe:



XXIV. Account of some Discoveries in the church of Brotherton, in Yorkshire. In a Letter to the Rev. Mr. Norris, Secretary to the Society of Antiquaries. By the Rev. Mr. Drake, F. A. S.

Read Feb. 28, 1789.

REV. SIR,

dug up in Yorkshire a sew years ago; and which, though immediately transmitted to me, I have neglected, through a natural indolence of temper, to convey before now to the Society. They consist of a chalice, pretty much mutilated, and its lid, a spur, and part of a stocking; and were found in digging a grave on the north side of Brotherton church, May 20, 1781. I must inform you, that Ferrybridge is a hamlet adjoining to Brotherton; we may therefore, I apprehend, naturally suppose that these things were buried along with one of the lords that were killed at a skirmish that happened at Ferrybridge on Saturday the 28th of May, 1461. In order to make this more intelligible to you, I will give you a short sketch of the circumstances.

cumstances that related to that event. Richard duke of York, the formidable enemy to the Lancastrian family, being defeated and flain at the battle of Wakefield, Edward his fon by the favour of the Londoners was proclaimed king. But he had not enjoyed his new dignity many days before he found himfelf obliged to march against queen Margaret, who had recruited her army among her northern friends to the number of fixty thousand men, all ready to facrifice their lives for the service of her husband. Edward, by eafy marches, advanced from London to Pontefract, from whence he detached a party commanded by lord Fitzwalter to secure the pass of Ferrybridge on the river Aire, which commission that officer executed with no great difficulty. Somerfet, the Lancastrian general, being informed that this pass was seized by Fitzwalter, immediately fent Clifford from York to drive the Yorkists from the river, as that fituation would have been too advantageous to them in case of a battle, which must, in all probability, fucceed. Clifford, according to his orders, furprized that part of Edward's army, and drove them from the pass with great slaughter, after an obstinate action, in which Fitzwalter and the bastard of Salifbury loft their lives. Clifford retiring after this fuccess in a careless manner was himself surprized by a detachment sent by Edward, under Fauconberg, and was there flain.

Now, Sir, must we not imagine that these lords, or at least some of them, might be buried in the church that was nearest to the place where they met their sate; and that Edward, after the battle of Towton, which was sought the next day, might pay his friends those suneral honours which the quality and services of men so attached to his interest seemed to require. As to Clifford, there could not be wanting friends to inter him with

with decency in a country where he had fuch large possessions. though the confusion of the times, and the prevalency of his enemies in those parts, might prevent him from being conveyed to Skipton, the usual burying place of the family; and this fuppolition appears the more probable, as we have some fort of proof, that in that bloody and unnatural contest the great men were interred immediately after the battles in the place where they fell. This we learn from a letter in Fenn's collection. which was written at the very time. " All the lords," fays that letter, " that died at St. Albans, were buried at Et. Albans," That the person deposited here could not be an ecclesiastic, though the chalice and patten might feem to hint so much, the four that lay by them, and the circumstances of the battle are, in my opinion, sufficient proofs. It may perhaps be some amusement, in want of better matter to entertain the Society, to give you some short account of the families from which those brave men who here facrificed themselves for the sake of their friends, descended.

Lord Fitzwalter was sprung from one of the oldest Normanfamilies in the kingdom, of which the male line terminated in him. The first of them that entered England was Richard the eldest son of Gislebert, surnamed Crispin, earl of Briou in Normandy, son of Geossey, natural son to Richard, the first of that name duke of Normandy. He attended the duke into England, and was of eminent service to him in that battle of Hastings which gave William the name of Conqueror and the possession of this kingdom. He was liberally rewarded for his assistance, the Conqueror conferring upon him, among many lordships in different counties, ninety-five in Susfolk, whereof Clare was one, from whence he was sometimes called Richard

de Clare. The elder branch of the family by marriage became earls of Hertford and Gloucester, and ended in the person of Gilbert, who was killed at the battle of Bannockburn in Scotland in the reign of Edward the Second. In the other branch Robert the great-grandfon of the first lord of Clare, being the fon of Walter, distinguished himself by the name and title of Baron Fitzwalter. This branch went down by a regular descent in the male line to this Walter Fitz Walter who was killed at Ferrybridge, and he having no iffue but daughters, the barony passed into another family. Dugdale [a] seems here to make a mistake; for which there is no accounting. He tells us, that this Walter Fitzwalter, the last of the family, died a natural death, in the year 1432, eight-and-twenty years before the battle of Towton, and that Anne his daughter married Thomas Ratcliffe, whose fon Sir John Ratcliffe was afterwards summoned to parliament as Lord Fitzwalter. In Paston's Collection, we find that on Edward's fide was flain Lord Fitzwalter; and the ingenious editor observes upon this, that it does not appear from our Baronages that there was a Lord Fitzwalter at this time. Our historians however, adds he, mention such a nobleman as commanding at Ferrybridge for Edward IV. where he was defeated and killed, a few days before the battle of Towton: and these letters confirm the existence of such a title. This is a Gordian knot in heraldry which I must acknowledge I have not strength to untie. If any more conversant in that kind of learning would do it for me, the Society, i doubt not, would be obliged to them. Either our noble President, or my good friend Mr. Brooke, are competent for the task; to their affiltance, therefore, conscious of my own inability, I must apply.-William Wyrcester, who lived at the very time; for

he was born 1415, and was alive 1480, mentions this engagement of Ferrybridge, and the death of Fitzwalter, but fays nothing of the bastard of Salisbury. But as he only wrote annals or principal events, fuch an omiffion might naturally occur. "Rex Edwardus quartus," fays he, "cum suis dominis paravit se ire ad boreales partes Anglie, ad devincendam fortudinem dominorum borealium, qui congregati funt cum rege Henrico et regina Margareta, et circa dominicam palmarum in prelio apud Ferrybridge occifus est dominus Fitzwalter, et die sequenti commissium est gravissimum prælium." This William Wyrcester (you must excuse digressions; for an old man, you know, naturally "fabellas garrit aniles,") who frequently figns himself in Paston's letters by his mother's name Botoner, was a native of Bristol, but being early taken up by Sir John Fastolf of Caistor in Norfolk, was by his means educated at Oxford, and afterwards retained in his family, where he had fome respectable appointments, and was made executor to his will along with Sir John Paston, the anceftor to the late Earl of Yarmouth, who succeeded to the estate at Caistor. Nor were the care and expence of the knight ill employed in regard to this person; for few or any of his contemporaries rose to so much eminence in literature. He was deeply versed in the abstruser kind of sciences: but, what would entitle him to greater respect from this Society, he was a very judicious and indefatigable collector of the antiquities of his country. The two great biographers, Bale and Pits, speak of him in the highest language. " Variarum fanè," fays Bale, " rerum cognitioni, matheseos, scilicet, medicinæ, cosmographiæ, et historiæ, ab ipfa juventute Botonerus invigilavit, et incrementa postmodum ex diuturno labore non minima fuscepit. Per Anglorum limites VOL. IX. omnes,

omnes, ubicumque res ullas peragendas habebat, visitatis conventibus, collegiis, monachorum cœnobiis, ecclesiisque cathedralibus, antiquitates ipse collegit; et quicquid memorià dignum poterat, vel ex bibliothecis, codicibus antiquis, sepulchris, senestris, aut similibus veterum monumentis haurire, tabellis vel rotulis inscripsit." His publications were numerous, chiesly in history, antiquity, medicine, and astrology; but one of them he dedicated solely to his patron, as an offering to gratitude, which he called, "Acta domini Johannis Fastolsi;" and he must be well qualified to write upon such a subject, as Anthony Wood tells us, "Falstolso Botonerus armigeri vicem præstitit, clypeumque viro detulit quoties bellici quippiam aggrederetur." That this Botoner and Wyrcester were the same person, we have his own hand for proof; for thus he concludes one of his letters written to a friend at Caistor after Sir John's death, "from yours,

W. Botoner, called Wyrcester." which is a compleat resultation of Pits, who, as Wood says, "Worcesterum hunc nostrum diversum à Botonero facit." It will perhaps appear trissing, if I mention, that this Botoner, being a Bristol man, was an intimate of that rich Canning, the merchant of Bristol, who in the supposed Rowley's poems is mentioned as his patron. "Morcover," says he, in a letter to Sir John Fastolf, "please you to weet, that William Canyns the merchant writeth an answer of your letter; I trust it shall be the better for your writing." Nor can I forbear taking notice, that in his Latin annals, he represents Henry VI. afflicted with the very same malady with which our present sovereign is unhappily visited. "1452; hoc anno apud Claryngtone Rex Henricus sextus subito cecidit in gravem infirmitatem capitis, ita

quod extractus à mente videbatur." But to finish this digression concerning Botoner. I introduced him, in order by his letters and the letters of other dependants of Sir John Fastolf to account for a circumstance in some of Shakspeare's historical plays, which, I think, has not been sufficiently explained. Sir John Fastolf was of a very ancient family in Norfolk, one of his ancestors, Sir Hugh Fastolf, having been high sheriff of that county, 10 Richard II. He feems to have taken to a military life very early. He began his career under Thomas Duke of Clarence, second fon to Henry IV. who was made by his father Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. This prince he ferved as Esquire; Wyrcester says, " Memorandum, quod in anno 2do regis H. quarti, & anno ejusdem regis 6to & 7mo, Thomas, qui postea suit Dux Clarenciæ sactus, suit locum tenens regis Henrici, patris sui, de tota patria Hiberniæ. Memorandum quod Johannes Falstolf adtunc armiger fuit continue fecum in dicta Hibernia per idem tempus." The Irish expedition being ended, he was engaged in the French wars. under the great Duke of Bedford, whose ward, Fuller fave, he was, and he feems to have continued there till the conclusion of them, which happened fo unfortunately. He was made knight of the Garter early in Henry VIth's time, and the letter of recommendation fent to him by the King, or rather his lieutenant, carries with it the most ample testimony of his merit. It is addressed to Sir John Fastolf, and runs thus: "We, confidering the virtuous fidelity you have shewn, and the honourable exploits you have done in the service of our thrice renowned father, and that in our fervice also you, as many others, have given proof of that honour, and those deserts, wherewith Llz

God has endowed you, always fuffering, as is the part of a good fubject, the pains and toils of war, for the vindicating and maintaining of our just rights, claim, and title, have chosen you one of our companions of our order." Ashmole gives us another proof of the excellency of his character: "It is remarkable, fays he, in a fingular instance, that when two knights had on either fide equal voices, which was the case of Sir John Falstolf and Sir John Radcliffe, the first, being esteemed more worthy by the Sovereign's Lieutenant, obtained the election." In the progress of the war, no man did more confiderable service: in 1423 he made himself master of several places upon the Seine, particularly the strong town of Greville, which surrendered to him. In the important battle of Verneuil he had a principal command, and by his bravery took the Duke of Alenfon prifoner, which appears by one of his letters, in which he complains, that the reward due to him for the capture of that prince was unjustly detained from him. But in no action did he more fignalize his courage and address, than in that which is called the battle of the Herrings. When the English had befieged Orleans, the regent ordered a convoy of falt fish to fet out from Paris for the provision of the befiegers during the approaching feafon of Lent, of which he gave the command to Sir John Fastolf, with seventeen hundred men. The French king, being apprifed of this intended fupply, fent the Count of Clermont to intercept it with three thousand troops; but those forces met fo a warm a reception, and were attacked with fuch resolution by Fastolf, that few of them remained alive, so that he entered the English camp with triumph. After the conclusion of the French wars, he retired to his feat in Norfolk, where he feems

to have refided in great state and magnificence till 1459, when he died at the age of eighty. He was respected by all the great men of his time, particularly by Bourchier, Archbishop of Canterbury, Cardinal of Saint Ciriac in Thermis, and great grand fon of Edward the Third. This great prelate in his letters expresses the highest esteem and regard for him, addressing them to the right worshipful and my entirely well beloved St. John Falstolf, and subscribing them " from your faithful and true Thomas Cant." The stile indeed which this noble reclesiastic uses towards him is the most respectful and can only be applicable to the purest and most illustrious of characters. You. yourfelf, Sir, shall be witness of it. "Right worshipful, and my entirely well beloved, I greet you right heartily well, thanking you specialy, and in full hearty wife, for the very gentle goodnefs, that ye shewed unto me at all times, praying you of good continuance. And as touching fuch matters as ye fent unto me for, as the rule (government I suppose) is amended here, and the weather waxeth feafonable and pleafant, I trust to God verily to fee you in these parts within short time; at which time I shall commune and demean unto you in such wife, that ye shall be right pleased; and the blessed Trinity have you everlastingly in keeping." After fuch splendid instances of the most confummate bravery and respectability of character, must we not be furprized that Shakspear in his historical plays should reprefent this knight in fo dishonourable a light, introducing him upon the stage as a coward and poltroon? Upon this he dwells with a kind of poetical fury, and never feems more happy than when he exhibits him to his audience as an object of national contempt and deteftation. To convince you of this, I will give you

you the poet's description of the battle of Patay, or, as it is sometimes called, of Poictiers; nor will you be displeased at it, for it is as elegant as animated. A messenger is introduced giving an account to the English council of this event, where Talbot was surprized by a superior number of French, and taken prisoner with lords Scales and Hungersord.

The tenth of August last, this dreadful lord Retiring from the fiege of Orleans, Having scarce full fix thousand in his troop, By three and twenty thousand of the French Was round encompassed and set upon. No leizure had he to enrank his men: He wanted pikes to fet before his archers; Instead whereof sharp stakes pluckt out of hedges They pitched in the ground confusedly, To keep the horsemen off from breaking in, More than three hours the fight continued; Where valiant Talbot above human thought Enacted wonders with his fword and launce, Hundreds he fent to hell, and none durst stand him. Here, there, and every where, enrag'd he flew. The French exclaim'd, the devil was in arms: All the whole army flood agaz'd on him. His foldiers fpying his undaunted fpirit. A Talbot! Talbot! cried out amain. And rush'd into the bowels of the battle. Here had the conquest fully been seal'd up. If Sir John Falftaff had not play'd the coward:

He being in the rereward (plac'd behind With purpose to relieve and follow them) Cowardly sled, not having struck one stroke. Hence grew the gen'ral wreck and massacre; Enclosed were they with their enemies.

Is Talbot flain then?

O, no! he lives, but is took prisoner, And lord Scales with him, and lord Hungersord; Most of the rest slaughter'd or took likewise.

Observe in what a despicable situation the poet represents our knight at the very instant of the battle.

Capt. Whither away, Sir John Falstaff?
Ful. Whither away? To fave myself by flight.
Capt. What will you fly and leave Lord Talbot?

Fal. Ay, all the Talbots in the world to fave my life.

Capt. Cowardly knight, ill-fortune follow thee.

But Shakspear is not fatisfied with hanging up this knight as a mark of publick infamy; he even proceeds to actual degradation, and the king solemnly banishes him from the realm upon pain of death, if ever he returns:

Talbot speaks. First Part of Henry VI. Act iv. scene 1.

"I vow'd, base knight, when I did meet thee next, To tear the Garter from thy craven leg, Which I have done; because unworthily Thou wast installed in that high degree.

Pardon,

Pardon, my princely Henry, and the rest,
This dastard, at the battle of Poictiers,
When but in all I was six thousand strong,
And that the French were almost ten to one;
Before we met, or that a stroke was given,
Like to a trusty 'squire did run away;
In which assault we lost twelve hundred men,
Myself and divers gentlemen beside
Were there surprized and taken prisoners.
Then judge, great lords, if I have done amiss,
Or whether that such cowards ought to wear
This ornament of knighthood, yea or no?

## King Henry speaks:

Stain to thy countrymen! thou hear'st thy doom, Be packing therefore thou that wast a knight; Henceforth we banish thee on pain of death."

This may be poetry, but certainly it is not history, as no fuch degradation or arret of banishment ever happened, nor are they noticed by any record or register of those times. But yet there was something desective in this knight's military character, nor did he do his duty at the battle of Patay. The historians speak of that event in this manner. The French king marched into Bunec against the English troops, amounting to six thousand men, encamped near Patay under the command of Talbot; and attacked them so suddenly, that they had not time to be formed. When the English were charged, such was their panic and consusion, that the greater part of them fled without

without making the least refistance; and Sir John Fastolf himself was hurried away in the midst of the fugitives. The Lords Talbot, Scales, and Hungerford, maintained the battle with great valour, until they were overpowered by numbers, and two thousand of their men lay dead on the field of battle; then they were obliged to yield to the fortune of the day, and were taken prisoners with other officers of diffinction. Now. Sir, this suspicion of want of courage is confirmed by a circumstance recorded in one of the letters in Paston's collection, written by a dependant of Fastolf's. This man tells us, that in Cade's infurrection, Sir John had fent his fervant to Blackheath, to gain fome intelligence about the rebels, and the captain, fays he, made the commons to take me, and I was brought before the captain of Kent, and there was one there, who faid to the captain, that I was one of Sir John Fastolf's men; and then the captain let cry treason upon me throughout all the field, and brought me with a herald before me; proclaiming openly by the same herald, that I was fent thither for to espy their puissance, from the greatest traitor that was in England or in France, as the faid captain made proclamation at that time, from one Sir John Fastolf, knight; the which minished all the garrifons of Normandy, and Manns, and Mayne, the which was the cause of the losing all the King's title and right of an heritance, that he had beyond fea." This certainly points out some improper conduct of Sir John, and as if the popular dislike had arisen from his cowardice or treachery; and therefore the poet, however paradoxical it may appear, feems to be justified in painting him in the infamous colours he has done in his historical plays. Thomas Fuller is very angry with Shakspear for Vol. IX. M m fuch

fuch a mifrepresentation of him, as he supposes. Speaking of this knight, he says, "to avouch him by many arguments valiant, is to maintain that the sun is bright, though fince the stage hath been overlooked with his memory, making him a Thrasonical Pust and emblem of mock valour." But it is high time I should finish this Olla Podrida, which you may serve up to your friends in what manner you please, or, if you think it will not be agreeable to their palate, you may destroy it, as Horace says,

" Sive mari libet Hadriano."

I am, Sir,

Isleworth,

Your obedient humble fervant,

Feb. 9, 1789.

W. DRAKE.

P. S. Since I had the honour of presenting this paper to the Society, I have met with a French author who positively afferts, contrary to my former suggestion, that Sir John Fastolf for misbehaviour at the Battle of Patay was absolutely degraded from the order of the Garter. If this was the case, Shakspear's representation of the knight is historical truth. But I am very much inclined to suspect that this account is erroneous; for in that chapter of Ashmole, which treats particularly of degradation, though he has mentioned all that suffered that indignity, he takes not the least notice of Sir John's having incurred a similar infamy, which he certainly would have done, had he met with any foundation in history for such an affertion; nor would Fuller have reckoned him one of the principal Worthies

of Norfolk, or have been so lavish in his praises, if this circumstance had certainly happened to him. Besides, the genuine respect he met with in the latter part of his life, and the connection he had with the most eminent characters of his time, which appears by Fenn's Letters, render it highly improbable that the reslection of Monstrelet, the author referred to, was founded on truth.

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XXV.

XXV. Observations on the Round Towers in Ireland, by the Rev. Thomas Harmer of Watesfield, Suffolk, in a Letter to the Rev. George Ashby, B. D. F. A.S.

Read March 5, 1789.

REV. SIR,

Y O U doubtless remember the papers in the first volume of the Archæologia relating to those antique slender towers which are found belonging to some old churches in Scotland and Ireland, but generally at some distance from them, and which, though lofty, were not capable of holding bells of any size. Very different sentiments were entertained of the uses they were designed for: some supposing they were intended for watch-towers: some, for places of resuge to which the people might repair on any sudden alarm; some, as places of penance. The conjectures of others differed from all these. The enquiries of the learned, after all, terminated in uncertainty; and I sound the uneasiness of such a state, without expecting ever to meet with any thing satisfactory upon the point.

The only fure way of determining the matter feemed to be, either

either some anthentic account of the uses now made of such buildings, by such as entertain the same, or nearly the same, apprehensions of religion, which the Scotch and Irish did, when these towers were built; or a clear description of the use formerly made of them, by the ancient historians of established reputation of those times, and those countries. I did not expect to meet with either of these; but lately running over two volumes of letters, giving an account of several foreign parts, published this year by Signior Lusignan, a Greek, (who after the affair of Ali Bey took refuge in England, and published an account of Ali's revolt some time since), I there sound a passage, in an Appendix to those letters, giving a description of the Holy-land, which afforded me more satisfaction concerning these Towers than, I confess, I ever expected to find.

In that Appendix he tells us, that the brook Cedron runs along a valley S. E. from Jerufalem; and winding with a ferpentine course, between many rocky hills, ends in the Dead sea. That about fix miles distance from Jerusalem, on each side of the brook, are large caves, either formed by nature, or heroed out of the folid rock, formerly inhabited by hermits, which grottoes continue to the end of it, about 12 or 14 miles from Jerusalem. That among these is a grotto (in which the three wife men are faid to have taken up a temporary abode in their return from Bethlehem), which, in the latter end of the 4th century, was inhabited by Theodofius, chief of the hermits, and at length became a convent, which is now in ruins. That to the S. E. of this place, about a mile distant, is the present monastery of St. Sabba, built on the clift of a hill close to the brook, furrounded with a stone-wall, 8 feet thick, and 26 high,

high, in circumference above a mile. "On the outside of the "walls, and on the west, is a square tower of three stories, and twelve yards in diameter, in which two or three hermits shout themselves, who live in a very austere manner. On the upper story is a bell, which, whenever any visiters come from Jerusalem, is rung to give notice to the door-keeper of the convent for their reception. On the same quarter is the gate of the monastery, which is kept always locked, on account of the Arabs, who are very troublesome to the society of this convent [a]."

Now by this account it appears, that the great defign of this detached tower was to give timely notice of the approach of strangers, in a country very much harraffed by the Arabs that live in it under tents, and who are very troublesome to the more settled inhabitants; which is done by a bell from the upper story, from whence was the most extensive prospect. But along with this it seems to be put to another use, being inhabited by persons who live in a very austere manner, in other words doing penance. But it appears not to be used as a place of refuge, for people to retire to in times of danger; nor could it be wanted for that purpose, the monastery, which is near it, being so strong, and at the same time so capacious; nor could it be wanted to call people to their devotions, there being no other persons, it seems, to be summoned, but those inclosed within the walls of the convent, in this retired place.

Satisfactory, however, as this account appears to be in general, a more diffinet and particular one as to some circum-

[a] Vol. II. p. 160-163.

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frances being wanted, I thought it might be right, as I had fome little knowledge of the author of this account, to confult him as to some circumstances; and he very obligingly communicated to me the following eclaircissements, in two letters which I received from him.

He tells me that the mode of living of the Hermits, as he calls them, in the tower, is more severe, as to diet, than of those in the convent, though that, I believe, you will think, fufficiently austere. He had informed the world, in his printed account, that those who live in the monastery are in number from 20 to 30. Thefe, he faid, " tafte victuals once a day, " which, in general, is bread and pulse, or greens boiled, with-" out any oil or butter, except on Saturdays and Sundays: on " these two days they are indulged with rice and butter, and " fornetimes with falt-fish, as they never eat any kind of flesh, "Their drink alfo is water, except on the aforefaid days, in which " every one has half a pint of wine [b]." But as to those in the tower, the first letter I received from him on this subject, dated Sept. 11, 1788, affures me, that they, " who feldom exceed the " number of three, abide there willingly, and for their provision " have bifcuit and pulse, which is made use of every other " day. Their drink is water from the eistern, which is in the tower. "Their diet and life is rather more austere than that of those in the monastery, as they eat once a day, while these every-" other other day: their work is prayers and meditation on fa-" cred books, as likewife is that of those of the monastery, " except a few, who employ themselves at leisure-hours in

"copying books." Eating only once every other day is certainly a greater mortification than eating once every day; and when we add to this the care of watching the approach of strangers, their situation is considerably more painful than that of those in the convent. Whether this fort of penance is voluntarily inflicted on themselves, or only voluntarily submitted to, in consequence of the chassising power of the superior of the convent, is not, I think, perfectly clear from Signior Lusignan's account: probably their retirement to the tower might be sometimes owing to the one cause, sometimes to the other. It must certainly be voluntary in one sense, since they could have left the tower when they pleased.

This tower, the letter farther informed me, is built on rocky ground, and bigber than that on which the monastery stands. Its distance more than 50 yards towards the W. of it [c].

The beight of the door of the tower belonging to St. Sabba is a circumstance, in which it appears to agree with the Scotch and Irish towers: for he says, in this letter, "the entrance to it is by a stone stair-case of 14 steps, and is distant from the walls of the tower about 12 seet. On the top of the stair-case is a drawbridge, which communicates with the door of the tower, to which are chains fixed on each side, and it is hoisted up from the inside of the door, and never let down except necessity requires."

In his printed account he observes, that, "in the 7th century, "the nation called Abares, a Saracen tribe, massacred fourteen

<sup>[</sup>d] It is to be remembered here, his measures are given only from recollection, therefore may not be perfectly exact.

thousand hermits, who inhabited the banks of this brook [d]." He enlarges the account of this matter in this letter: "The "monastery was built in the beginning of the 6th century, as "likewise the tower, which, I think, in former times served as a guard-house to this convent, as the tribe of Abares were very troublesome in that time to the society. The Arabs, at present, though troublesome in asking daily food from the Society, which yet as they obtain their request, never attempt to molest the walls to break in." But though they do not attempt to scale the walls, they may be very perplexing still, by intercepting the caravans that bring them corn or biscuit, and other provisions, and might seize on the religious whenever their occasions led them beyond the walls of St. Sabba, as the Arabs about Mount Sinai are wont to behave towards the celebrated monastery there [e].

One would be apt to think, from what is faid in the printed account, p. 163, that there was a bell in the upper story of the tower, which was rung to give notice of the approach of strangers; but Lusignan explains the matter otherwise. In this letter he says, that "from one of the uppermost windows of the towers is a wire which communicates to the momastery; on the end of it is a bell. When the hermits spy any company coming from Jerusalem, they pull it to give notice to the Society to open the gate, as it is always bolted up, and they never open it except on similar occasions."

Nor is this bell used, it seems, for any other purposes, at least not to call people to their devotions there, as he has told

<sup>[</sup>d] Cedron, p. 170.

<sup>[</sup>e] See Dr. Shaw's Travels, p. 438, 439, 4to, Ed.

me in another letter, which I received after that of Sept. 11. "The monasteries of St. Sabba are called to prayers by the clerk, or not by the found of the bell, as it is not permitted in those " parts of the Turkish dominions, but by knocking at [on] a " long board made on purpose, in which time all are gathered " in the Cyriacon, or great church, and not in the chapels," except on the days of the different faints, to which, as he informed me in very broken English, the chapels were dedicated. The tower then is not now made use of for the calling a congregation to worship by the found of a bell, or any other instrument of music, or by an buman voice, for which last purpose the Mohammedans built their minarets [f]. It could not have been defigned for such a purpose at first (which, if it was in the beginning of the 6th century, was not only before they were over-awed by the Mohammedan power, but before Mohammed introduced his new religion), for in fuch a case it would have been more commodiously built in the middle of the convent, the religious there being the only people to be called, the country round about being then, as it is now, uninhabited [g], except by the hermits, who had chapels of their own adjoining to their cells, whose ruins may yet be seen there [b]. It was on account of the folitude of the place they chose to make their habitation. in that part of the country.

It is fortunate that Signior Lufignan has given an account of this tower, having frequently visited the place when in the Holy-

<sup>[</sup>f] Very slender towers belonging to their Mosques.

<sup>[2]</sup> See p. 171, where he calls it a Wilderness formerly inhabited.

<sup>[</sup>b] P. 161.

land, fince he does not, he tells me in these letters, recollect that he ever saw any other tower of this kind in that country, or any where else, except on-Mount Albos.

No churches, perhaps, are to be found in England, that are entire, whose erection was prior to the introduction of bells, to call people to worship; but, if there should be such found, these sacred towers, commonly called steeples, may be found adjoining to, or pretty near them, either built as watch-towers, or, if in places where no dangers were apprehended, for ornament, such watch-towers having struck them as a beauty. It is certain, in our more embellished churches, two, or three, or perhaps more of these towers have been built, and could not all be intended for the reception of bells.

I am, Sir,

Watesfield, Suffolk,

Your faithful humble fervant,
THOMAS HARMER

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XXVI. Some Observations on the Roman Station Cataractonium, with an account of Antiquities in the neighbourhood of Piersbridge and Gainford. By John Cade, Esq. in a Letter to Richard Gough, Dir. A. S.

Read March 27, 1789.

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TPON a furvey of the great military Roman ways and flations in this neighbourhood, I could not help noticing the many conjectures concerning the etymon, fite, and celebrity of the ancient city Catarastonium, Cateraston, or Caterasta, for by such several variations we find it mentioned by Ptolemy, the Itinerary ascribed to Antoninus, Bede, Camden, Burton, and other authors. Our great antiquary supposes it might derive its name from the Catarast in the Swale at Richmond, four miles higher up the river; and an anonymous author under the signature of Easenbyensis-published some years since in the Gentleman's Magazine deduces it from Carastacus, son of Cunobiline, who, he contends, might have been born at this place, or have made it his residence when he put himself under the protection of Cartismandua, queen of the Brigantes.

Richard

Richard of Cirencester says little to our purpose, his annotation Latio jure donata excepted, and I am not possessed of the Notitia, or Horsley's elaborate work, the Britannia Romana, to help me in my refearches. You fee then, Sir, that all. or most of those writers have left us in a labyrimh, and several of them frankly acknowledge that they have oftentimes been undetermined in respect to the fituation of the place.

Doctor Drake, in his voluminous work the Eboracum, scarce handles the subject, although he has been lavish on his favourite Isurium, and some other stations; while this, from its emi-

nence laid claim to a very minute enquiry.

I shall endeavour therefore, with as much caution and respect to the venerable names I have quoted as circumstances will admit, to hazard a conjecture or two on a subject that has employed the talents and the pens of our ablest antiquaries, not doubting your kind indulgence in an attempt at this arduous undertaking. The same of the sam

Some authors affert, that the Roman name of the river Swale was Ifis, which after running a few miles farther fouthwards, joins the Eure, from which junction we have the station furium. That it was effeemed a facred river we have the authority of the great Camden, and other writers, when they relate that Paulinus. archbishop of York, baptized above ten thousand persons at or near Catterick; but whether it was accounted to before that period, we are totally uninformed. I am induced to think it was, and that the good prelate preferred it on that very account, well knowing the veneration that our British and Saxon ancestors retained for their confecrated rivers and fountains; a superstition that remains at many places to this day, and which being with amortify to very graph I have often feen practifed.

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## 278 Mr. CADE on the Roman Station Cataractonium.

Ptolemy confers no small honour on the ancient Cataracton in his second Book of Geography, from thence taking an observation of the positure of the Heavens describing the xxivth parallel through this place, making it distant from the equator sifty seven degrees.

Mr. Pennant in his third volume of a Tour through Scotland, page 159, fays, that the literal translation of Catter-thun, a large fortification in the shire of Angus, is Camp-town, and we have a further corroboration of this ingenious gentleman's interpretation from the ancient town Catherlogh in Ireland, now softened into Carlow; from which I would conclude that camps, stations, and cities, with the Britons and Romans were frequently synonymous terms, and perhaps applied indiscriminately in the Itineraries.

Catar ac thun according to Pennant's interpretation of Catterthun will be the best derivation of Cataraston: the Roman termination ium, was common to many stations: to mention only Maneunium, Coccium, Isurium.

Ptolemy's reference favours the conjecture, and no place could be better adapted for the purpose of astronomical observations. The learned compiler of the Magna Britannia positively says, that the observations alluded to by the great Alexandrian astronomer were taken at this place, perhaps by a disciple of his own, or at least one whose accuracy he could conside in, or he would not have inserted a principle of such importance in his Great Construction; a conjecture not overstrained as the 20th Legion styled Cretica, then stationed at West-Chester (no great distance) by Agricola, was so denominated from an issand but a little north-west from Alexandria, and perhaps composed of Africans and Asiatics, as well as the native Cretes.

It likewise appears very probable that scientistic persons of every degree would be stimulated to participate in an enterprise of such importance to the Roman name and empire. And here we may remark what a glorious opportunity occurred for the rapid progress of Christianity and civilization in Britain, in opposition to the wild chimeras of some writers, who would postpone those blessed events to a much later period. The British church was respectable some centuries before the arrival of St. Augustine, but unhappily eclipsed by the contending interests of a divided monarchy, and the frequent depredations of piratical invaders.

I would alk before we proceed, why was Cataracton distinguished before Eboracum, the metropolis of Roman Britain by those astronomical observations. The reason seem obvious; it was a place better fituated for the purpose, in the centre of the great military ways after they had united in a direct line to the Vallum and Caledonian stations. Here the legions or cohorts might receive their final instructions, be accommodated with plans, charts, &c. of the roads, camps, posts, stations, and havens, with other useful and necessary directions; when a traverse round by York would have been inconvenient, and perhaps a great impediment in cases of emergency, as any person may readily observe by a reference to Dr. Drake's map of the Roman roads in that county; but York has had its hiftorian, and Catterick is almost buried in oblivion. The accurate and curious treatife published by the learned Mr. Gibbon on the Roman policy in regard to the public roads, posts, accommodations, and expedition of conveying the most distant intelligence, will illustrate this point, and is much to our purpose. The municipia and colonies of Britain, evidently enjoyed all the advantages of those falutary regulations. Tacitus informs

us how strenuous Agricola was in refining the manners of our rude ancestors, the fora, public baths, and all the luxuries of a polished nation, were adopted with avidity, even in his time. What then might we not expect in after-ages? If, from what has been recited, any conclusions will be admitted of this place being honoured with an academy for the study and cultivation of the sciences, I should apprehend that the high mount mentioned by Camden and other authors was the place fet apart for astronomical observations. I have many times contemplated the remains, and cannot help being an enthusiast in my determinations. Our famous feminaries at Oxford and Cambridge are at a distance from the metropolis, set apart from the hurry and inconveniences of state and commerce. The Romans, no doubt, with their usual fagacity, forefaw the necessity of such a precaution. The allurements of a court with its attendant concomitants were no ways adapted to the progress of science. Here we have three feparate divisions within the limits of old Cataractonium, viz. the village now called Catterick-burgh, the feat of Sir John Lawson, Bart, and Thornburgh nigh the bridge; a circumstance that claims particular notice, and is decisive in regard to the former magnitude and opulence of the place.

Nothing remains but an observation or two, and I shall conclude. Oxford enjoys her favourite Isis at this day; and the poem by Camden has immortalised that river: but yet, from what I have read in different authors, it has almost invariably been styled the Thames, even to its very source, in most charters prior to the Conquest; which has created a suspicion with many persons that the name has been pirated by some classical writer of that renowned seat of the Muses, and obtruded on the public as genuine. I am apprehensive that the many con-

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jectures already hazarded will expose me to criticism, or I should not hesitate to say from what so likely as our list, if any annals were then remaining of the splendor of the ancient Cataracton. As for the present name of the village, Catterick, it seems expressive of the mounds and ruins of the place. I must beg pardon for the prolixity of this investigation, and endeavour to make amends by pointing out some roads and stations near my residence at Gainford, that I believe are yet undescribed.

That I may proceed methodically, I am under the necessity of reverting back to Catterick, from which place the most ancient road to the northern flations did not go in a direct line, as at this time, along what is called the High-fireet, to Piersbridge, but inclined a little westward to Aldburgh, a place of great antiquity, as the vestiges still remaining plainly indicate. That it has been a large Roman city all writers agree: but by what name diffinguished has never been ascertained that I could hear of. A pretty rivulet runs through the station: and a little to the northward, fub urbe, is the hamlet Carlton, or the Caer of the Britons (as I take it); of which more in the fequel. I am induced to think that Aldburgh may date its decline from the new military road being directed to ad Tisam. Vinovium, and the Vallum; on which account we hear of no altars, inscriptions, or other memorials of any kind found there, to affift us in our enquiries. Many other places have shared a fimilar fate in after-ages, by the planning out new roads, building towns and bridges, with the like circumstances; of which innumerable instances might be produced, if necessary. From Ald-Vol. IX.

Allburgh a road carries us by the great intrenchments near Forfet and Stinwick, called Jack Dike, to another ad Tifam, or Orynford, so styled in Richard of Cirencester's Itinerary, p. 142, three miles higher up the Tees than Piersbridge. The place is now called Barford, near an ancient feat of the Pudfevs, of which family I find Ambrose Pudsey sheriff of Yorkthire anno 1762. This is a very large station, comprising above fixty one acres, as measured for me by William Cornforth, Efg. the prefent leffee, the plan much refembling that given us by Doctor Stukeley of the Brill near Pancras, with a small rivulet running by it. The form nearly a square, rather inclining to a parallelogram, with a ditch to the east, south, and west fides, the Tees being the barrier northwards. The divisions have been all regular; the foundations at present stone, and have crossed each other at right angles; the prætorium or arx nearly central and rather elevated. I think there is every reason to ascribe its origin to Agricola, it being a namelefs station, chosen with much precaution; for on the opposite side of the river is an old strong. hold, on an eminence which I apprehend to have been British. near the village called Winflone, the brook Grant (which our modern map-makers ftyle Langley Beck) running hard by it. The common name afcribed to the station we are treating of at Barford has long been called Old Richmond, for no other reason. I suppose, than its magnitude; as it is well known the original feat of the earls of Bretagne and Richmond was at Gilling, a few miles more to the fouth. I dare not venture to transpose Maglovæ from Gretabridge hither, though there appear some remains in the name of Ovyng ford; the vicinity of the former place to Lavatrae (the distance being not more than three

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or four miles) has often induced me to think that it was only a winter station to the other at that dreary and exposed village Bowes bordering on Stanmore; but this I give as conjecture only. with a remark that Maglovæ is not fet down in the Itineraries of Antoninus or Richard of Cirencester, However, a place named Ovington, about two miles more to the west, has seemingly rifen from this Ovynford, which could never be the ad Tilam before mentioned, for the banks of the Tees are very high and steep there on both sides, and no possibility of a ford for military purposes. Whereas at the other place the vestiges of the old Roman way are still very conspicuous along the west fide of the station, across the Tees, and, passing the supposed British camp before noticed, proceeds by Aldwent, Stainthorp, and Cockfield northwards. And here I must refer to a 'curious ' furvey, published by Mr. Bailey in the Antiquarian Repertory. in the year 1777, of the intrenchments and camps upon Cockfield Fell, by the river Gaunless, in the road to Stanhope and Lancaster: one of the intrenchments is one thousand and twenty yards long, and in fome places very deep. The extent of another for guarding the road eighty yards, a part of the east end only remaining: and at Toft Hill, an old fortress of the Britons, two miles north-east of this place, is a camp e nearly fquare, one of its fides meafuring one hundred and forty yards.' For the particulars of the other four camps, I refer to Mr. Bailey's furvey, and he fays, 'upon plowing the 'adjacent ground, feveral hand militones were discovered; ' likewise that about the year 1775, a mile and a half south of · Cockfield (1 imagine near Reverston or Caverston) in lord Darlington's park at Raby, some workmen making a ha ha cut crofs a ditch in which were found the bones of eight or

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Inine men. How far it had extended could not be discovered. • but he imagines a confiderable number of human bodies were deposited there. Near at hand is a place called Slaughter-field, "where tradition fays a great battle was fought." A few years fince, when I was paying a vifit to the late John Cuthbert, Efg. at Witton Castle, near two miles north of Tost Hill, I obferved in the park many curious barrows, very much refembling fome of those at Stonehenge on Salisbury Plain, with several other vestigia, which I had not leifure to examine. I mentioned this to the worthy proprietor, and found they had not escaped his notice. He assured me some of them should be explored with every possible attention, but his much lamented death happening foon afterwards prevented any further refearches. Perhaps our Ovynford may have been derived from the Latin Ovatio, a petty triumph upon some victory obtained over the Britons. Tradition fays that Winfton hard by was fo called, on account of a decifive battle gained at that place; and I must remark that on the banks of the Tine in Northumberland: near Prudhoe Castle, are two villages, called Ovington and Ovingham. If any altars or inscriptions were found at the station near Barford, it is to be prefumed they have been applied towards erecting an old church or chapel dedicated to St. Lawrence, still remaining close by the place but long difused and the family feat of the Pudseys, which is of great antiquity, no doubt partook likewise of the spoils. There is a good stone quarry at the foot of a mount adjoining, which feems to have been exploratory, but the excavations of many ages have reduced it now to a very small compass, and its remains are daily mouldering into the Tees. Before I quit this place, I must observe, that there is a Caer or distinct camp adjoining, as at Aldburgh and

and Piersbridge, and the same occurred at Maiden Castle near Durham, by which one would conjecture that the Romans on their primary subjection of the Britons did not permit them to reside within their limits; a principle adopted by the English when they became masters of Ireland; for in many considerable places in that kingdom there are adjoining districts distinguished by the epithet English and Irish towns. Cromwell adopted the same policy, by allotting Connaught the most western province to the native Irish. During my residence at the vicarage house here, two coins of Nero and Domitian were digged up in the garden; and some fragments of altars, very much mutilated, I have met with in the village, but whence collected I could never learn.

I am forry my refearches will not enable me to give a more fatisfactory account of the many remarkable places near the banks of the Tees, that demand particular attention from the antiquary. Caldwell, about two or three miles fouthward, has been a very confiderable place, and of great antiquity near the Herman-street leading to Gretabridge and Lavatra, between which stations another road has branched off in a direct line, and croffed the Tees at Thorngate, a street so called, at Barnard Castle, to Stretham, the vallum, &c. It is obvious, therefore, that town must have been a Roman station. I quote the authority of the learned Mr. Roger Gale, who, in a letter to Mr. Warburton, published in the Vallum Romanum, fays, he never knew the appellation Thorn without a station near at hand; but no doubt the compiler of our elaborate County Hiftory will ferutinize into this point with the same minuteness and accuracy as that of Maiden Castle near Durham, where Doctor:

Doctor Stukeley's remarks are applied to a hill on the west side of the Were, though he expressly says the contrary, and surther, that the rivulet which surrounds near one half of the camp comes likewise from the east, as may be observed by a reference to his Iter Boreale, p. 70, and if I am not mistaken (for I have not the work) in Mr. Hutchinson's note. I dare say the place had been pointed out to Dr. Stukeley by the late Doctor Hunter, a gentleman well read in antiquities, having made them his study for many years; and it is no degradation to the station at Old Durham to have had a castellum for signals on the opposite side of the river; the hill was exploratory, and corroborative instances numerous; but alas! no rivulet near it.

About three miles below Barnard Castle is Wycliss, the seat of Marmaduke Tunstall, Esq. an elegant modern-built mansion, whose invaluable collections of manuscripts, books, prints, coins, and gems, besides a spacious museum stored with rare birds, and many other curiosities relating to natural history, demand in a particular manner the attention of the learned virtuoso.

Returning back to the great military road called Highftreet, about a mile or better before we come to Piersbridge, on the right hand side is Mansfeld, now an insignificant village, but anciently a very considerable place, of great extent, on an elevated situation, and probably once a British oppidum, being every where bestrewed with small hillocks, resembling tumuli, and the neighbouring fields lined with the soundations of buildings and other vestigia; but nothing can be gleaned of its origin or downfall. Even tradition is silent, and I think it

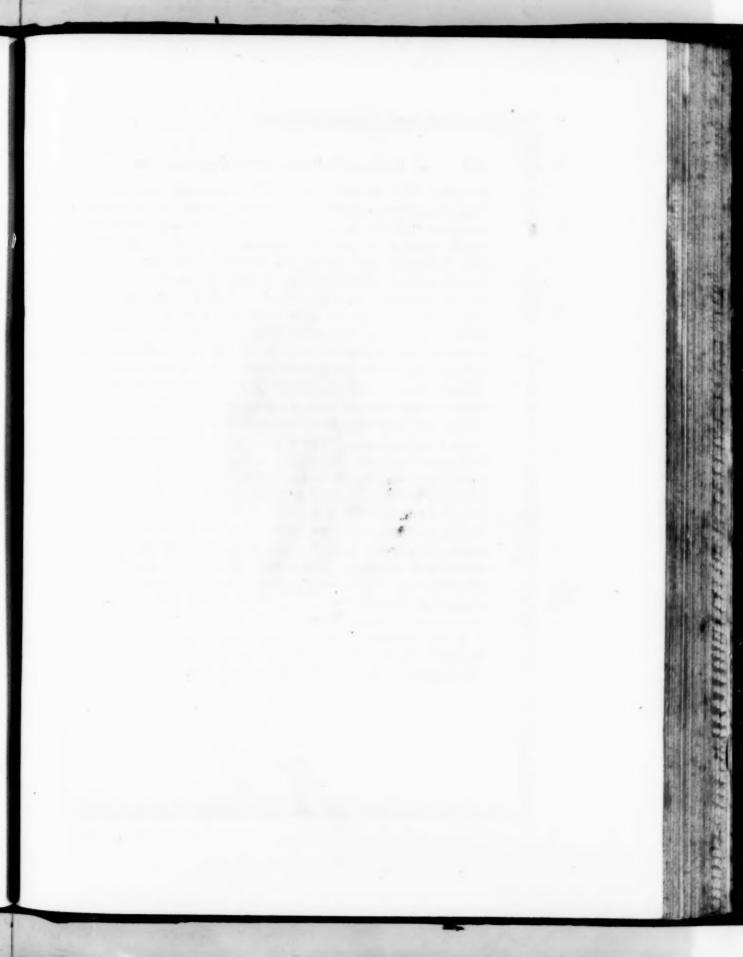
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has fearely been noticed by our topographers, except in an index or map. The Border Hiftory by Mr. Ridpatta informs us. that Malcolm king of Scotland made great havoc along the banks of the Tees a little time after the Conquest, and perhaps this ruinated place may ferve as a specimen of his devastations. Whether any interence can be deduced from its prefent name, I shall leave others to determine: my main purpose being to hasten to Piersbridge, the ad Tifam of our Richard before mentioned. But here I am aware on a curfory view of his appendage Ovynford after Piersbridge, it may appear as if appropriated to that place only: but after pointing out the extensive remains at Barford. and referring to Dr. Stukeley's remark, p. 141, 142, of this Itinerary, we shall have every reason, to conclude the contrary; if the original was compiled for Agricola's ufe, and before names were allotted to the different stations. The ad Tifam then that I am attempting to describe is situated on the north fide of the Tees in the direct Roman road to Vinovium or Binchefter; the intrenchments are very conspicuous, and the prefent village built within them, a few houles on the Yorkshire fide excepted. The form is a parallelogram, but I think does not include fo many acres as that at Barford. I purposed having an exact measurement this morning, but the great fall of flow prevented it. The Tees is the fouth barrier, and a small brook runs by the north fide. Many coins and other antiquities have been found at this place, particularly a very fine Otho, which I am informed is now in lord Pembroke's collection. No altars that I could hear of, but what have been already noticed by Horsley and others, except some that have felt the force of the hammer and pick axe, and more proffituted to other ignoble purpofes.

purpofes. One is now almost buried in the road near the village, at a place called White Grofs, but woe to the person that dares to remove it; for the superstitious vulgar used to rest the corpfe upon it in their way towards interment at Gainford. The foundation piers of the old Roman bridge were faid to have been swept away in the great flood 1771; and, by their long continuance in this rapid river, it might feem to have been repaired and used by our Saxon ancestors; the present bridge is higher up. A little without the flation is Carlbury or Caerlbury. a narrow pass on the side of a hill in the road to Darlington, which I apprehend was another Caer of the Britons, from the adjunct Bury or Burgh, and perhaps formerly might include what is now called the Tofts, a repository of many of the antiquities that have been discovered at this station. The present name Piersbridge seems to originate from the old Roman bridge built upon stone piers before the fabrication of arches was attempted in Britain. Some have called it Priestbridge, from the adjoining old chapel; a very abfurd derivation, for it is well known many other structures of that kind had the same appertaining to them, and often during the dark ages of the church, under the tutelage of St. Eligius, or Eloy, the great patron of farriers and travellers. Three miles lower down the Tees at Blackwell has been a very confiderable artificial mount, called Caftle-hill, defigned for fignals to ad Tifam, but within my own memory nearly absorbed by the river.

I must not omit to mention that, about two years ago, many Roman coins were ploughed up at a place called Thornton near Darlington. I believe they amounted to some hundreds, were

deposited





Bronze figure of . Herenry found at . Herstridge .

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deposited in an urn, and mostly of Constantine and his sous, in

very fine prefervation.

To conclude: you will observe, Sir, that I have ventured to make Agricola's progress northwards by the old Molmutian way, if any such was in being before the arrival of Julius C.esar. What are now called the great military Roman roads were undoubtedly constructed in the more settled epochas of the empire, after stations and cities began to be built, an employment necessary for the legions and enterprising Britons. If these rambling remarks will be of any service to your valuable work, the new edition of the Britannia, you are heartily welcome to them; and believe me, with the greatest respect,

SIR,

Your most faithful humble Servant,

Gainford, Dec. 22, 1788.

JOHN CADE.

P. S. Upon making some further enquiries after the antiquities of *Piersbridge*, I was informed of an inscription on a stone which had some years since been ploughed up in an adjoining field, and was now built up in a wall near a cottage. It is of red grit, and measures 9 inches by about 5; the letters are excellently well cut. It has been broken off at the last C, and part of the second M has likewise been injured,

> M. D. O. M. P. C. C.

Since I wrote to you there has luckily come into my possession a most elegant metal statue of Mercury [a],

[a] See it engraved, Pl. XIX.

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which measures four inches and a quarter in its present state. It has been fomething longer, but the feet with the pedeftal on which it stood and the caduceus are unfortunately lost. This figure far exceeds in gracefulness and beauty that in the Museum Romanum, sea. 2, No 8, of which it had a refemblance. It was found in a garden at Piersbridge a few years fince, not far from the above inscription, which I now am inclined to think has belonged to some temple or altar dedicated to this deity, whether by any person of the name of Cerealis or of any other name with the same initial is not easy to say; but by examining Horsley's Britannia Romana, I. find a votive altar, No xxxv. in Scotland, the infeription on which runs thus: Deo Mercurio Julius Cerealis censar figillorum collegii ligniferorum cultorum ejus de suo dedit votum solvit libens. merito. The letters and points on the altar given by Horsley appear to be of a much later date than the Piersbridge inscription.

I have fent the above curiofity along with the papers mentioned in my last, and shall be obliged to you, Sir, to shew it to the Society of Antiquaries. If they chuse to have an engraving from it, I will order it to remain in their hands for that

purpose, as long as they shall think necessary.

By a strict attention to Mr. Horsley's Essay on the Notitia, I am certain that he has made a capital mistake in regard to the magnitude and extent of Cataractonium, which has comprised the whole space between the village of Catterick and the bridge, including likewise both Thornburgh and Burgh, the seat of Sir John Lawson, Bart. I observed the ramparts very conspicuous near the village, and some works on the other side of the brook. southwards, that runs through the place. I am more persuaded by a reference to this Essay that the Barford station has been ei-

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ther the Maglovæ, Magae, or Magi, of the Notitia. It is larger by one acre than Ifurium Brigantum, and has every requifite of a Roman station. If the Dunum æstuarium of Ptolemy be the estuary of Tees, Middleburgh on the Yorkshire coast I apprehend has been the Roman town. My conjectures on the antient Cataractonium are briefly as follow: Burgh has been the quarter that included the mint; Thornburgh the station; and the limits of the city from the village to the bridge.

When I observed at the beginning of this letter—that the 20th legion, called *Cretica*, was stationed at West Chester by Agricola, I should have said—before the first arrival of that general in Britain;—and what follows was on a presumption that legion was recruited for some time from Crete and parts adjacent, as some regiments in our service are recruited from different places at

present.

XXVII. Observations on the persons called Waldenses, who were formerly Tenants of the Manor of Darenth, in the County of Kent. By the Rev. Samuel Denne, F. A.S. in a letter to the Rev. Mr. Brand, Secretary.

Read April 2, 1789.

DEAR SIR,

In the Custumale Rossense lately published by Mr. Thorpe, under the title, Jurati de Derente; de consuetudinibus et redditibus, p. 5, col. 2. are mentioned the rents due and services to be performed by a class of tenants styled Waldenses; and in this paper, which I will trouble you to communicate to our Society, it is my purpose to hazard a conjecture who might be the persons here meant. A few months ago, when I cursorily hinted the subject to you, it seemed to be your opinion, if I did not misapprehend it, that they might have been natives of the Weald of Kent or of Wales; but I must own, their having acquired this name from either incident appears to me to be not a little questionable. The Weald of Kent was formerly a very extensive tract. Homines de Walda is the term, by which,

as far as I can trace, the inhabitants of it were diffinguished; and numerous as are the MSS. relative to them and the diffrict, cited by Somner and other writers, it is extraordinary that the word Waldenses is not to be found in one of them, if at any time they were fo denominated. With regard to the inhabitants of Wales, Wallani, Wallici, and Wallenfes, are the only Latin appellations of them I have met with. That Waldenfes is the true reading in Custumale Rossense, there can hardly be a doubt, because Dr. Harris, Mr. Baynard, the gentleman who copied the MS. for Dr. Thorpe, and Dr. Thorpe who collated his transcript, all concur in it. And it is observable that there is a

repetition of the word.

Waldenses is, besides, a word of notoriety. The reputed heretics, who originated in the vallies of Piedmont, first bore the name; but it was afterwards applied to many fects, which, though differing from one another in a variety of articles, concurred in differting from the tenets of the church of Rome, and in renouncing the dominion of its pontiff. It is upon this ground that I am inclined to adopt a notion, that the Waldenses settled in Darenth manor, might be descendants of that religious society, which under the name of Publicans, were condemned by a council held at Oxford in the reign of Henry II. William of Newburgh has given a circumstantial detail of these sectaries, a transcript of which is inclosed, as I shall often have occasion to refer to it in discussing this question. And should I fail in establishing my furmile, I trust I shall succeed in shewing it to be most probable, that the King, with the prelates affembled at the fynod, and the people of that time, did not unite in perfecuting to death these German emigrants; a heavy charge imputed by this

this monkish writer, and in general acceded to by subsequent historians.

The conjecture advanced, I am well aware, labours under two objections, which are not, I think, irremovable. One respects the name of these sectarists, who are styled Publicans, and not Waldenses; the other is, that, if credit is to be given to this swriter, they were very soon extirpated. Newburgh has, however, expressed himself doubtfully as to the title he has given these people; for he says, they were, as it is believed, of the fort vulgarly called Publicans. And I am not singular in considering them as being Waldenses. They are so termed by Spelman in his Councils [a]; by Plott, in his History of Oxfordshire [b], and repeatedly by Lewis in his Life of Bishop Pecock [c]. Rapin also notices them as disciples of the Waldenses [d].

Lord Lyttelton thinks they have been improperly confounded by historians with the Vaudois and Waldenses [e]; and he founds his objection on a notion that the Vaudois and Waldenses, though they held the same tenets, had a very different origin; the Vaudois being inhabitants of Piedmont, and the Waldenses deriving their name from Peter Waldus of Lyons, who did not make any proselytes to his doctrine till some years after the arrival of these Germans in England. A contrary opinion is espoused, and as it should seem upon substantial grounds, by many celebrated writers, and particularly by the judicious and

learned

<sup>[</sup>a] Wilkins, Concil. Magn. Britan. I. p. 432.

<sup>[</sup>b] P. 20.

<sup>[</sup>c] P. 223.

<sup>[</sup>d] Hift. of England by Tindal, fol. edit. v. J. p. 350.

I., History of the Life of Henry II. 8vo. edit. iv. p. 113, 392.

Fearned translator of Mosheim's Ecclesissical History [f]. Though Newburgh believed them to be of the sect called Publicans, yet some authors have denominated them Paterini, and others Cathari, or Puritans. To the latter opinion the noble historian inclines, suggesting however, at the same time a strange conceit, that Gerard, the leader of this community, cautiously avoided explaining what were the secrets of the most obnoxious errors which the Cathari, after the Manichæans, entertained concerning the Deity, and the formation of the visible world by the devil; and his lordship as unaccountably adds, that the bishops, who composed the council at Oxford, declined pressing the accused upon these mysterious subjects.

On the contrary we find from the report of the monkish writer, that these sectaries, when interrogated in order touching the articles of the body faith, answered right as to the substance of the supreme physician, but that their perverseness was as to the remedies, i.e. the divine Sacraments, with which he condescends to heal the infirmities of men [g]. Their perverse answer concerning the

[f] Cent. xii. part ii. c. v. 3. xi. note g.

[g] "Christianos se esse, et doctrinam apostolicam venerari responderunt. Interrogati per ordinem de sacræ sidei articulis; de substantia quidem supremi medici resta, de ejus vero remediis, quibus humanæ insirmitati mederi dignatur, id est, divinis sacramentis, perversa dixerunt; sacrum baptisma, eucharistiam, conjugium detestantes."

The words printed in Italics in this extract are not noticed by Lord Lyttelton. The passage is rendered as follows by Rapin, Collier, and Dr. Henry.

By Rapin; being questioned upon the articles of the creed, their replies were very orthodox as to the Trinity, and Incarnation.

By Collier in Ecclefiastical History, v. i. p. 347. They answered, that they were Christians, and that the doctrine of the Apostles was their rule of faith.

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the Sacraments, Newburgh immediately after describes in stronger terms; for he avers, that they detested baptism, the eucharist, and marriage, and wickedly attempted to derogate from the catholick unity. Representations of this nature, so often tinctured with the reigning prejudices and superstitions of the age, must be read with great caution and allowance, especially when drawn by writers of the Romish persuasion; with whom it is a common mark of what they term heresy, not to assent fully to the notions taught by their church concerning the Sacraments.

Gerard and his followers, it may be reasonably supposed, might not admit marriage to be a facrament, and they might object to the unscriptural rites introduced into the facrament of baptism. They might, and most probably did, protest with abhorrence against the monstrous doctrine of the real presence, and venerating as true Christians the apostolical doctrines, they might refuse to unite with a church, which, notwithstanding its errors and corruptions, exclusively assumes to itself the title of catholic. And such were the tenets of the Waldenses; not that the conjecture I have proposed renders it necessary that the persons condemned by the Oxford council should then have acquired that appellation; it will be sufficient for my purpose, if they were ranged under that sect at the time that the Custumale

But being thrown off this general answer, and questioned more particularly about the creed, they seemed sufficiently orthodox about the Trinity and Incarnation.

By Dr. Henry, in History of England, vol. III. p. 241. Upon a more particular inquiry it was found, that they denied feveral of the received doctrines of the church, as purgatory, prayers for the dead, and the invocation of faints.

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Roffense was compiled, which was early in the sourteenth century; and, as I apprehend, before the beginning of the fifteenth, the Latins included all opponents of the Roman see under the

general terms of Waldenfes and Albigenfes.

The other weighty objection to my furmife is, the historian's having informed us that in confequence of the determination of the council at Oxford, that no one should pity or administer any relief to those criminals, they all miserably perished from a want of food, and from the inclemency of the weather in the depth of winter. But it may be proper to enquire on what evidence is advanced an affertion that reflects fo much infamy on the people of that age. And it is worthy of notice, that though the King was prefent at this council, and confented to the punishing of these foreigners, the proceedings of it are not recorded among his public acts, nor have the decrees of this fynodical meeting yet been found in any episcopal register. As far as my examination has reached, there are only two contemporary writers who have mentioned this transaction, Radulphus de Diceto [g], and William of Newburgh, and of him it is faid that he did not compile his Chronicle till he was far advanced in years [b]. In the recital of this story it is, I think, very plain, that he trusted to his memory, and not to any written minutes he might have formerly made concerning it. I am warranted in this supposition from the indefinite manner in which he notices the time when this fynod affembled, for he blends it with the years of archbishop Theobald's death, which was in 1166, of Becket's appointment to the fee of Canterbury

<sup>[8]</sup> Decem Script. p. 104. 512. 519,

<sup>[</sup>b] Tanner Biblioth. Britan. & Hibern. p. 1935. ex Lelando.

in 1162, and of the council of Toulofe held in 1163[i]. Stowe feems to have been milled by this vague account, for he fixes the Oxford fynod in 1161; whereas, according to Diceto, who was a far more methodical and exact historian than Newburgh, it was in 1166; and he has intermixed it with so many other indubitable contemporary transactions, that he could hardly have been mistaken.

Besides Newburgh does not recite the whole, or any part of this story, as of his own knowledge, nor has he, as in many other instances, averred his having heard it from persons of veracity. There can be little doubt of his having received it by common same, a most uncertain mode of conveyance, which merits even less weight than a paragraph in a modern newspaper, that is unsupported by authority. A tale of this kind in travelling from Oxford to a monastery in the distant part of Yorkshire would acquire many additional sabulous circumstances; and when there was a propensity to believe it to be true, and a cordial wish that it might be really so; a monk, to whom it was told, would credit it with an easy acquiescence, and in perpetuating it, not scruple to aggravate and embellish it.

How far this remark is applicable to William of Newburgh is submitted to the judgment of any impartial reader of his history. That he had a very large portion of credulity is evident from the many marvellous tales to which he has given his sanction: and that the supposed calamitous catastrophe of these thrangers coincided with his own inclination, is equally mani-

[i] lifdem diebus.

fest from his avowal, that their perishing from cold and hunger was a pious rigour of feverity; notwithstanding the sufferers are allowed by himself to have been believers of the effential doctrines of Christianity.

This being also admitted by the bishops who composed the fynod, and as from the filence of the historian it may be inferred that thefe fectaries were in their manners inoffentive. nothing but the evil spirit of persecution could have prompted their judges to deliver them up to the civil magistrate. It was the more culpable in the prelates, because there was so little ground for an alarm of their propagating with success their peculiar tenets. For though they feem to have refided fome time in England, they only converted one woman of inferior rank : and the was fo flightly attached to them, that the was foon prevailed on to confess her errors, and forfake their fociety. And as they were not diffurbers of the public peace, it is fomewhat strange, that the king, whose disposition was humane and benign, should think these people merited branding and exile: for with respect to his having commanded them to be whipt through the streets of Oxford, this circumstance is not mentioned by Diceto. It was however during the contest between Henry and Becket in support of the just rights of his crown, that this occurrence happened; and his hard usage of these foreigners has been attributed to an unwillingness of affording a pretext to the Pope and his adherents to charge him with profaneness, or an inattention to the cause of religion.

By the council of Tours held in 1163 catholic princes were exhorted and directed to imprison all heretics discovered within

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within their dominions, and to conficate their effects. Of this injunction Henry could not be ignorant, and he might be actuated by it to treat the delinquents with more rigour than he would otherwise have done. It was likewise an article of this canon, that no perfous whatever should receive, deal with, or entertain heretics; or in other words, they were excommunicated. But excommunication did not imply, that those who were the objects of it should be suffered to perish from a want of the necessaries of life; had that been the meaning of the term, the calling-in of the fecular arm to inflict corporal pains and penalties would have been superfluous. In this interpretation I am countenanced by the opinion of a learned writer of the twelfth century, who admitted that one might entertain persons lying under this censure of the church, provided he did not eat with or falute them [k]. And it is clear from Hoveden, that such was the treatment which the murderers of Becket experienced, after they, together with all who knowingly received or harboured them, were anathematifed by the Pope. All persons, writes this historian, avoided their converfation, nor would any one eat with them [1]. Why then are we to suppose that the heretics at Oxford, by being excommunicated, should be condemned to suffer a greater punishment than persons guilty of the most atrocious crime, and that heightened by the peculiar enormity, that the victim of their malice was the first ecclesiastic in the kingdom, and that he was aliassinated near an altar in his own cathedral?

<sup>[4]</sup> John, bishop of Chartres. Dupin's Eccles. Hift. 12 Cent. p. 17.

<sup>[1]</sup> Hoveden, Annal. p. 299.

It is mentioned by Hoveden [m] that Henry, about fever years before his death, would not agree to the burning of heretics in his dominions, though at that time they were become numerous. Lewis supposes this refusal to have arisen from his uneafiness at having been the instrument of the death of the German Publicans [n]; but from the general conduct of the king, and his fixed forbearance in the inftance cited from Hoveden, ought we not rather to infer, that he would not formerly have denounced against delinquents of this class any fentence that might affect their lives or limbs? His commendable behaviour abroad will, in my opinion, justify a conclusion that what Newburgh relates concerning the extirpation of the fectarifts at Oxford from a strict obedience to Henry's injunctions, may have been an invention of the historian, in hopes of discouraging in England the progress of a reformation, which was then working in many other parts of Europe.

Newburgh, in his sketch of the character of Henry, observes, that he had a dread and horror about sacrificing the lives of men, and to risque the shedding of blood [o]; an eulogy far from being applicable to the king, had he doomed to a lingering and painful end more than thirty persons. But we have the bare affertion of a bigotted monk that this was their deplorable sate.

<sup>[</sup>m] Publicani comburebantur in pluribus locis per regnum Franciæ, quod rex nullo modo fieri permifit in terra fua, licet ibi essent perplurimi. Annales, p. 352. b. fub ann. 1182. This incident, though fo much to the credit of Henry II. is, I think, unnoticed by his noble Biographer.

<sup>[</sup>n] Life of Bishop Pecock, p. 176.

<sup>[0]</sup> Discrimen sanguinis et mortes hominum exhorrescens. L. iii. c. xxvi... p. 342.

On fuch questionable evidence justice will exculpate Henry from so odious an imputation; and candour incline us to believe that upon cool reflection, by exerting the noble prerogative of an English king, he would mitigate the rigour of a sentence which political expedience might have drawn from him.

These people, according to Newburgh, were to be expelled from Oxford; but, as Digeto relates, they were to be banished out of the realm. If only the milder exile were adjudged, is it credible, that it should have been accompanied with an injunction, that must, if complied with, have inevitably occationed their destruction in the shocking manner detailed by the unfeeling luftorian? Does it not on the contrary imply a hope cherished by the king, that the corporal pains they had suffered might reclaim them from their errors? We may reasonably imagine that attempts would again be made to reclaim them; and it might occur to the bishops that no means were more likely to answer the end with respect to the greater part of them, than detaching them from their chief, whose superior knowledge, it was evident, had much weight with them. As far as we can rely on the testimony of Newburgh, a distinction was made in the punishment imposed; Gerard being branded on both forehead and cheek, and the rest on the cheek only. And if he or any of his adherents still continued incorrigible. banishment might be accounted the only method of preventing their having any further intercourse with those who were more tractable.

If the fentence were exile in general, it was yet in the power of the king to pardon all or any of the offenders at his pleafure; and he had not long before remitted the fame punishment to persons from whom he had cause to apprehend danger to the state. I allude to the foreign troops introduced by Stephen, whom Henry, in pursuance of the resolution of parliament soon after his accession, had commanded to leave the realm before a day specified in the proclamation, on pain of death for their disobedience. This edict was not however enforced upon all, for some were allowed to go to the colony of their countrymen that had been established in Wales by Henry the First [p].

An extraordinary inundation of the fea on their coast obliged these Flemings to come to England in the reign of the first William. They are faid to have been industrious, skilful in husbandry, manufactures and commerce, and expert in arms; and the policy of that king and of William Rufus is much extolled for distributing them in provinces where they might be most useful, and add to the security and strength of the realm. Henry the Second being a prince of as great political wisdom, may it not be fairly prefumed, that he would not forego the advantage arifing from an increase of peaceable and useful subjects, in which light I cannot avoid viewing the German emigrants! From this motive, I conceive, he would direct the fettling of them in a way adapted to their former occupation, which was agricultural. And supposing them to have been heretics reclaimed, what method more proper than affigning to them a tract of waste ground in a manor belonging to the archbishop of Canterbury, which was then the case with respect to the manor of Darenth, though the king had seized it with other possessions of the see, on Becket's claudestinely

<sup>[</sup>p] Lord Lyttelton's Hist. of Henry IL is p. 288, 353, 380. Triveti Annales, i. p. 28.

going abroad, because he would not be amenable to the laws of his country.

The land allotted to the Waldenses, and the rents and services to which they were subject, as specified in Custumale Rossense,

are as follow [9].

For certain waste land they were to pay four shillings a year. They held half a plow land of gable at three shillings and four pence; and as a composition for provision rents, they paid five shillings and four pence, at each of the four principal quarters of the year, with two and thirty pence halfpenny in lieu of autumnal labours. And when the archbishop was resident at Darenth, they were to supply carriages to convey his corn and other articles; in consideration of which they were to have forage from the barns of the archbishop, and to receive their corrody.

Dr. Harris deems these Waldenses to have been soreigners, but adds, that he could not find on what account they came to Parenth, or whether they set up any manufacture, or what their numbers were [r]. Circumstantial evidence, and that in some instances a little dubious, is, I freely own, all that I have adduced to support the opinion I have formed concerning them. It is, however, a question fairly open to a discussion, and that allows a scope for conjecture: and after endeavouring to procure the best information within my researches, I have only offered a surmise that appears to me to be the least exceptionable. But in order to diminish its improbability, it may be requisite to observe, that whatever may have been the country or per-

[r] History of Kent, p. 92.

<sup>[9]</sup> Custumale Roffense, p. 5. & 9.

fuasion of these antient inhabitants of Darenth, their first settlement in the parish could not have been later than thirty-one years after the council of Oxford which condemned the German sectaries. For in the Custumale Rossense are set forth the services that were to be done by the Waldenses, and the other tenants, whilst the manor was annexed to the see of Canterbury; and it can be proved by original deeds still extant in the library of Lambeth house, and in the archives of the Dean and Chapter of Rochester [s], that the manor was alienated from the archbishopric in 1197, the Priory of Rochester accepting it from Hubert in exchange for the manor of Lambeth. It is likewise proper to repeat what I suggested to be the ground of my opinion, that, as far as I can learn, it is to the early Resormers that writers have exclusively appropriated the denomination of Waldenses.

I am,

Dear Sir,

Your faithful,

and obliged Servant,

Wilmington, Jan. 24, 1789.

SAM. DENNE.

[1] Bibliothec. Topogr. Britan. No xxvii. Appendix, No 1. Registrum Rossense, by Mr. Thorpe, p. 270.

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Guilielmi Neubrigensis Historia. Lib. II. Cap. XIII. De Hæreticis Angliam ingressis, et quomodo exterminati sunt.

TISDEM diebus erronei quidam venerunt in Angliam, ex corum (ut creditur) genere quos vulgo publicanos vocant. Hi nimirum olim in Gasconia, incerto auctore habentes originem, regionibus plurimis virus suæ perfidiæ infuderunt. Quippe in latissimis Galliæ, Hispaniæ, Italiæ, Germaniæque provinciis tam multi hac peste infecti esse dicuntur, ut secundum prophetam, multiplicati effe super numerum videantur. Denique cum a præfulibus ecclefiarum et principibus provinciarum in eos remissius agitur, egrediuntur de caveis suis vulpes nequissimæ, et prætenta specie pietatis, seducendo simplices, vineam Domini Sabaoth tanto gravius, quanto liberius demoliuntur. tem adversus eos igne Dei fidelium zelus succenditur, in suis foveis delitescunt, minusque sunt noxii: sed tamen occultum spargendo virus nocere non desinunt. Homines rusticani et idiotæ, atque ideo ad rationem hebetes, peste vero illa semel hausta ita imbuti ut ad omnem rigeant disciplinam, unde rarissime continget eorum aliquem, cum e suis latebris proditi extrahuntur, ad pietatem converti. Sane ab hac et aliis pestibus hæreticis immunis semper extitit Anglia, cum in aliis mundi partibus tot pullulaverint hæreses. Et quidem hæc infula, cum propter incolentes Britones Britannia diceretur, Pelagium in oriente hæresiarcham futurum ex se misit, ejusque in se processu temporis errorem admisit : ad cujus peremptionem, Gallicanæ ecclefia

ecclesiæ pia provisio semel et iterum beatissimum direxit Germanum. At ubi hanc infulam expulsis Britonibus natio possedit Anglorum, ut non jam Britannia fed Anglia diceretur, nullius unquam ex ea pestis hæreticæ virus ebullivit : sed nec in eam aliunde usque ad tempora Henrici Secundi tanguam propagandum et dilatandum introivit. Tunc quoque, Deo propicio, pesti quæ jam irrepserat ita est obviatum, ut de cætero hanc infulam ingredi vereretur. Erant autem tam viri, quam fæminæ paulo amplius quam triginta, qui diffimulato errore, quani pacifice huc ingressi sunt propagandæ pestis gratia duce quodam Gerardo, in quem omnes tanquam præceptorem ac principem respiciebant. Nam solus erat aliquantulum litteratus: ceteri vero fine litteris et idiotæ, homines plane impeliti et rustici. nationis et linguæ Teutonicæ. Aliquamdiu in Anglia commorantes, unam tantum mulierculam venenatis circumventam fusurris, et quibusdam (ut dicitur) fascinatam præstigiis, suo cœtui aggregarunt. Non enim diu latere potuerunt, fed quibusdam curiose indagantibus, quod peregrinæ essent sectæ deprehenfi, comprehenfi tentique funt in custodia publica. Rex vero nolens cos indifcussos vel dimittere vel punire, episcopale præcepit Oxoniæ concilium congregari, ubi dum folemniter de religione convenirentur, eo, qui litteratus videbatur, suscipiente causam omnium, et loquento pro omnibus, Christianos se esse. et doctrinam apostolicam venerari responderunt. Interrogati per ordinem de sacræ fidei articulis, de substantia quidem superni medici recte, de ejus vero remediis, quibus humanæ infirmitati mederi dignatur, id est, divinis sacramentis, perversa dixerunt; facrum baptisma, Eucharistiam, conjugium detestantes, atque unitati Catholicæ, quam hæc divina imbuunt fubsidia, ausu- nefario derogantes. Cumque sumptis de scriptura Rr 2

facra divinis urgerentur testimoniis, se quidem ut instituti erant credere, de fide vero fua disputare nolle responderunt. Moniti ut pænitentiam agerent, et corpori ecclefiæ unirentur, omnem: confilia falubritatem spreverunt. Minas quoque pie prætentas ut vel metu refipiscerent deriferunt, verbo illo dominico abutentes :: Beati qui persecutionem patiuntur propter justitiam, quoniam ipsorum est regnum cælorum. Tunc episcopi, ne virus hæreticum latius serperet præcaventes, eisdem publice pronunciatos hæreticos corporali disciplinæ subdendos catholico principi tradiderunt. Qui præcepit hæreticæ infamiæ characterem frontibus corum inuri, et, spectante populo, virgis coercitos urbe expelli, districte prohibens ne quis eos vel hospitio recipere, vel aliquo folatio confovere præsumeret. Dicta sententia, ad pænam justiffimam ducebantur gaudentes, non lentis passibus prœeunto magistro corum et canente, Beati eritis cum vos oderint bomines. In tantum deceptis a se mentibus seductorius abutebatur spiritus. Illa quidem muliercula quam in Angli feduxerant, metu fupplicii discedens ab eis, errorem confessa reconciliationem meruit. Porro detestandum illud collegium, cauteriatis frontibus, justa severitati subjacuit; co, qui primatum gerebat in eis, ob insigne magisterii, inustionis geminæ, id est, in fronte et circa mentum dedecus sustinente; scissique cingulo tenus vestibus publice cæsi, et slagris resonantibus, urbe ejecti, algoris intolerantia (hiems quippe erat) nemine vel exigunm misericordiæ impendente, interierunt. Hujus severitatis pius rigor non solum a peste illa, quæ jam irrepserat. Angliæ regnum purgavit, verum etiam, ne ulterius irreperet, incusso hæreticis terrore precavit.

Ymagines

Ymagines Historiarum Autore Radulfo de Diceto. X. Script. col. 539.

An. D'ni 1166. Quidam pravi dogmatis disseminatores, tractifunt in judicium apud Oxenford, præsente rege, præsentibus et episcopis. Quos a side nostra devios, et in examine superatos sacies cauteriata notabiles cunctis exposuit expulsos a regno.

Custumale Roffense.

P. 5. Jurati de Derente, de consuetudinibus et redditibus.

Redditus de Derente.

Sic. Waldenses pro quidem terra wasta 1111 solid.

Item tenent unum jugum terre gable 111 sol.

1111 denarios.

Ad Natale de firma v fol. et 111 den.

Ad Pafcha v fol. et III den.

Ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste v sol., et vit den.

Ad testum Sancti Michaelis v fol. et 111 den.

Ad festum Sancti Laurencii pro operibus autumnalibus.

P. o. Quando Manerium erat Archiepiscopo.

Et si Archiepiscopus caperet sirmam suam in villa, quolibet jugatum deberet attrahere 1111 carratas de bosco de Derente. Et Waldenses averabant tunc cum duobus averis, et habebant surragium de horreis Archiepiscopi et corredium suum.

P. S. Of

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P. S. Of the time when William of Newburgh is faid to have written his History.

With a reference to Leland, it was fuggested in the preceding letter, that William of Newburgh did not compile his chronicle till he was advanced in years. Leland, unfortunately, has not cited his voucher, and two editors of the monk's hiftory, Picard at Paris in 1610, and Hearne at Oxford in 1719, have mentioned an earlier period. But Picard's reason, to which Hearne feems too hastily to have acceded, will not, perhaps, on examination be judged fatisfactory. In the MS. used by Picard. E is given as the initial letter of the name of the abbat of Rieval to whom the book is dedicated, and in his opinion, it denotes Ældred, called by Capgrave Etheldred, the second abbot of that monastery [t]. Ældred, however, died in the year 1166, and Newburgh's Chronicle is continued to 1197. This is an objection that ought to have the greater weight with Picard, because he admits that in an old MS, in England the letter E is not to be found. And that Ældred could not be the abbat alluded to may be deduced from the cause alledged by Newburgh in the dedication and proem for writing the hiftory, from other arguments that may be drawn from the dedication, and from there being, as I apprehend, some passages, in the two first books, that, upon this idea, may be fairly deemed anachronisms.

<sup>[1]</sup> W. Neubrig. edit. Hearne. Picardi Notæ. Solitaria litera E. deerat in vetusto codice Anglicano, quem notamus literis, v. c. Hæc autem litera E. fignat Ealdredum, Capgravio Etheldredum dictum, abbatem Rievallis.

To record, as a lesion of caution to posterity, the copious memorable things that had happened in their days, was the fludy and talk which the abbat by letter assigned to Newburgh, who confesses that should he and his contemporaries not perpetuate in writing, for the information of those who came after them, transactions so many and memorable, they should be defervedly blamed for their negligence [u]. But in the reign of Stephen, and in that part of the reign of Henry II, which preceded the death of Ældred, there were not fuch a multitude of remarkable occurrences. Stephen by assuming the throne had frustrated the plan laid by Henry to secure it to his daughter Matilda; this was not, however, an event then extraordinary in this kingdom, there being generally rivals who aspired to the crown as often as it was vacant, nor in the civil commotions which enfued were there any very uncommon events of the occurrences which mark the reign of Henry II. His contest with Becket may be considered as the principal, but when Ældred died this was not far advanced, and the king had then a profpect of fuccess. The murder of the archbishop, the humiliation of Henry, and the triumph of the papal fee in confequence of it, transactions of the utmost importance in the opinion of ecclefiaftics, were of a later date.

<sup>[</sup>u] Literas sanctitatis vestræ suscepi, quibus mihi studium et operam rerum memorabilium, quæ nostris temporibus copiosius provenerunt, ad notitiam cautelamque posterorum conscribendarum dignatur ingerere. Ibid. Dedicat. p. 1. Nostris autem temporibus tanta et tam memorabilia contigerunt, ut modernorum negligentia culpanda merito censeatur, si litterarum monimentis ad memoriam sempiternam mandata non suerint. Et sorte hoc opus ab aliquo seu aliquibus jam inchoatum est. Procm. p. 14.

Supposing Ældred to have been the prior to whom the book was dedicated, there is in both dedication and history a very unufual omission. Authors upon these occasions are seldom fparing of their praifes, whether the objects of them may merit them or not; but if the parron happens to excell in that branch of literature in which he deigns to employ the pen of an inferior, that such a qualification should be difregarded is very improbable. And yet though Ældred had diftinguished himfelf as an historian, there is not an invendo of it in the dedication, or in one chapter in particular, where a compliment might have been paid with the greatest propriety. The treatifes composed by Ældred, were a Narrative of the Life and Miracles of Edward the Confessor; a genealogical detail of the kings of England including Henry II. and a description of the battle fought near Alverton between the English barons and the Scotts. This, which was one of the most brilliant and prosperous events of the reign of Stephen, Newburgh has so curforily mentioned in book i. chap. 1. that he has left unnoticed the confecrated military enfign, to the influence of which the victory was chiefly attributed, and from which Ældred denominated the action the Battle of the Standard [x].

As Ældred died in 1166, Picard grants that the historian could not have prefented to this prior more than the first book, and a few chapters of the second; and remarks that he profecuted his plan conceiving himself to be bound by a promise made in the dedication [y]. Does it not however appear to be a strange

[x] X Script. c. 337-414.

<sup>[</sup> y ] Nempe Gulielmum nostrum obtulisse tantum Ealredo primum hujus historia

a strange surmise that the dedication should have been penned whilst so large a part of the book was unwritten? The reverse is, I believe the general, the almost constant practice.

Ernaldus is the name given by Hearne to the prior to whom the book was dedicated; but I judge him to have had in view the perfon mentioned by Picard. At least he agrees with him as to the only portion of the chronicle that could have been offered, the prior he meant being dead before the history was compleated [2].

Had Picard and Hearne perused the history with the attention requisite in editors, unless I am much mistaken, they would have discovered several passages in the first book, and in the chapters of the second to which they allude, that must have been compiled much later than they seem to have been aware. Instances shall be cited which will corroborate my opinion.

Chapter 22. book ii. is entituled; "De diutina vacatione ecclesiæ Lincolniensis," and the year noticed in the margin is 1167, i. e. the year after the death of Ældred. In the first sentence he mentions the death of bishop Robert in that year,

toriæ librum et aliquot 2 lib. capita. Nec huic observationi prospicio quicquam obstare. Nam quod quinque reliquerit multis annis excedentes obitum Ealredi, coegit promissum, epistola nuncupatoria, ceu side publica subnixum. Picard. Not. p. 602.

[z] Ernaldus, sic enim legendum (non E. tantummodo ut in editionibus aliis) abbas Rievallis, qui ad opus aggrediendum impulit, cuique proinde dicavit consecravitque, licet librum primum, et aliquot libri secundi capitula duntaxat eidem offerre permissus fuerit, jam mortuo antequam ad umbissicum duceretur totum opus, ut recte e Nicholao Rievallensi observavit Picardus. Hearne Præfat. p. xiii.

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and adds immediately, that the fee of Lincoln remained vacant

almost seventeen years [a]

Chapter 16 of the same book has for its subject the king's displeasure against Becket before the end of the year in which the council of Tours was held, i. e. in 1163. He, however, pronounces this circumstance to have been the disgraceful origin of the many enormous evils which were known [b] to have resulted from it. The conclusion therefore is, that this chapter could not have been written before the murder of Becket, Dec. 28, 1170.

Under that year, at chap. 25, the affaffination of Becket is related; at ch. 9, he notices the death of Malcolm IV. king of Scotland, in 1159, and ch. 10. gives an account of the life and death of the hermit Godric of Finchale near Durham, with his customary vague words, "listem fere temporibus." Whereas the hermit must have outlived Becket, the sufferings of the prelate being, according to Hoveden [c], revealed on the very day he was murdered, to Godric at Finchale, though a place above 160 miles distant from Canterbury.

Wymund's un-episcopal conduct, and his being deprived of the bishopric of Man about the year 1151, are mentioned in B. i. c. xxiv. The deposed prelate, we are told, went afterwards to the monastery of Byland, where he peaceably resided very many years "pluribus annis" to the time of his death;

[a] Vacavit pastorali providentia eadem ecclesia per annos fere decem et septem; id est, ab anno ejusdem regis quarto decimo usque ad tricesimum.

<sup>[</sup>b] Ira regis excanduit, multorum et enormium malorum quæ fecuta noscuntur infame principium, p. 156. fervor regius accenderetur, ex quo tot mala postmodum pullullasse noscuntur.

<sup>[</sup>c] Annales, p. 299.

an expression not suitable had he lived only sisteen years. And this objection will be found still more forcible when urged against the historian's account of William archbishop of York, in chap. xxvi. whose sudden death in June 1154, was commonly believed to have been effected by poison insused into the sacramental cup, which he drank whilst celebrating mass in his own cathedral. The truth of this story is disavowed by Newburgh, upon the evidence of a canon of York, who was in habits of intimacy with the archbishop, and in attendance upon him when this horrible deed was imagined to have been perpetrated. But the historian represents his informer, then a monk of Rieval, as being very ancient, sick, and drawing near to his end at the time of his making his solemn asseveration concerning the archbishop [d].

The last instance I shall produce, appears to me, if the passage is correct, to be not only a decisive anachronism, but it will, I think, nearly six the age of Newburgh, when he compiled his history. It is from the 15th chapter of book i. "De origine Bellelandæ," in which he particularizes the different removals of the Cistertian monks belonging to that religious house, with their final settlement at New Byland abbey. He observes that they were at first in very straight circumstances, but that they abundantly prospered under the government of father

<sup>[</sup>d] Denique ergo processu temporis cum fama ista crebesceret, quendam virum magnum et grandævum, Rievallis monasterii monachum, jam valetudinarium et morti vicinum, qui eo tempore Eboracensis ecclesse canonicus, et memorato archiepiscopo familiaris extiterat, super hoc cum adjurationibus percunctandum putavi, qui constanter respondit, hoc esse mendacissimum conceptæ a quibusdam opinionis commentum.

Roger, a man in the highest repute for his integrity, who was then living well fricken in years, having nearly compleated the fifty-feventh year of his administration. The historian immediately adds, that this monaftery had its origin after the death of the venerable Thurstan, meaning the archbishop of that name [e]. But as he did not decease till 1140, this chapter could not have been written before 1197, when Newburgh must have been about threescore years old, he being by his own

account born in the first year of Stephen's reign [ / ].

In order to appreciate the credibility of a contemporary hiftorian, it is, in general, expedient to afcertain as far as may be practicable when the book was really compiled; and this precaution may be thought particularly requifite whilft examining the work of William of Newburgh. For he feems often to have acquiefced in the narrations of the day, and after an interval of many years to have trufted to his memory in the recital of them. The defultory manner in which he has ranged his materials affords a strong presumptive proof that he had not before him any connected chronicle of the times. This was one reason for my making so circumstantial an enquiry.

Another motive was, a wish to have clearly discovered who might be the abbat to whom the book was dedicated; it is evident that he was an encourager of men of learning, and it

<sup>[7]</sup> De rebus angustis ad magnam jam amplitudinem pervenerunt sub patro Pogerio, miranda finceritatis viro, qui achue superfles eft, in jenetta uberi, adminegleutionis jud aims erreiter quanquagima et septem expletis : fuit autem monafferii hujus initiam post venerabilis Turstini decessum.

<sup>[ ]</sup> Cujus anno primo ego Willelmus, fervorum Christi minimus, et in Adam primo ad mortem fum natus, et in fecundo ad vitam renatus. Proem. ad tin.

is therefore a tribute of respect due to his memory, that his name should not be sunk in oblivion.

Much perplexity has arisen in similar cases from a practice that formerly prevailed of noticing persons by only the initial letters of their names. In fome MSS, even thele are omitted, and in others transcribers may have inadvertently taken one letter for another, or perhaps inferted letters without competent authority. Picard, in his notes, has cited a few verses by Nicholas, a monk of Rieval, who wrote early in the 13th century, in which the three first abbats of that house are marked, by what the editor fignificantly terms thefe folitary letters. By W. Willelmus was meant; by Æ. Ælredus, and by S. Sylvanus. Ældred, it is agreed, died in 1160, and was fucceeded by Sylvanus, who prefided over this monastery thirty three years [g]. There is then a coincidence as to time with the chronology of Newburgh's hiftory, but if Sylvanus were the abbat we are in fearch of, there must be a literal error in the MSS, used by both Picard and Hearne, and for E. we must read S.

William of Newburgh derived that denomination from the monastery of Newburgh in Yorkshire, of which he was a member. Parvus is another of his appellations, but whether this were a surname or a nickname is somewhat dubious. By the name of Petyt he is classed in Bishop Tanner's Bibliotheca Britannica; and Bishop Nicolson says, that it was his true surname, from whence he sometimes styles himself Petit, or Parvus. Hearne allows that others styled him so; though he does not remember in what places it is that he styles himself thus [b]. It is, however, remarkable

<sup>[</sup>g] Litteræ capitales solitarie positæ sunt nomina prædictorum cœnobiarcharum. Ter denis, ternisque simul S. præsuit annis, p. 602.

<sup>[</sup>b] Præfat. p. cxxi

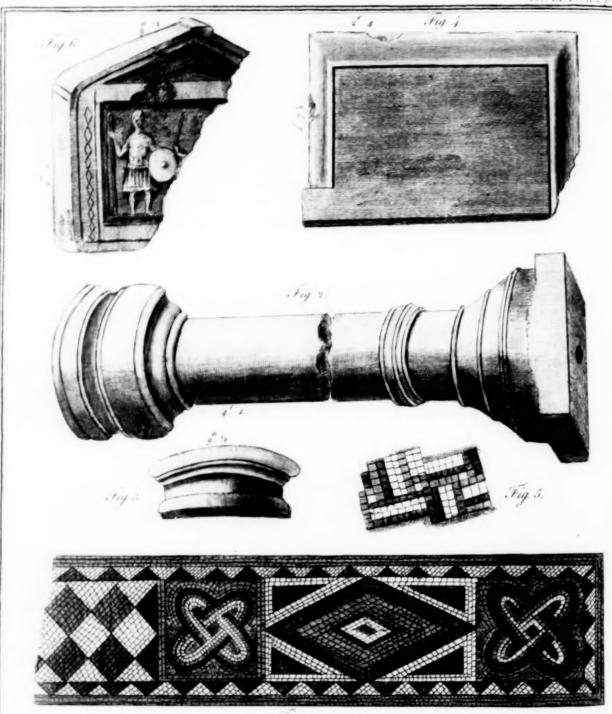
that, with allusion to himself, he twice uses the word parvitas, thereby infinuating how little qualified he was to discharge the office of an historiographer [i], or to hastily form a judgment of the actions of so great a man as archbishop Becket [k]. The term therefore which the monk made choice of from affectation, might not some of his adversaries apply to him in contempt! Many Cambro-Britons, it is imagined, would readily point a sarcasm of ridicule at the illiberal and acrimonious reviler of their savourite historian Jestrey of Monmouth.

S. D.

[i] Viri venerabiles, quibus mos gerendus est, hoc ipsum, et meæ parvitati dignantur injungere, ut et ego, quia cum divitibus non possum, saltem cum paupercula vidua aliquid de tenuitate mea mittam in gazophylacium domini. Proem. p. 14.

[k] Nostræ enim parvitati nequaquam conceditur de tanti viri actibus temere

judicare, lib. ii. c. 25. p. 185.



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XXVIII. An account of some Roman Antiquities discovered at Comb end farm, near Circucester, Gloucestershire, by Samuel Lysons, Esq. F. A. S.

Read May 8, 1789.

IN the year 1779 fome labourers digging for stone in a field called Stockwoods, at Comb end-farm, belonging to Samuel Bowyer, Efq. in the parish of Colefbourn in Gloucestershire, discovered the remains of a very confiderable building at a small depth below the furface of the earth, which on a further inveftigation appeared clearly, from the remains of teffellated pavements which were found in feveral places, to have been a Roman house. The floor of one room was preserved quite entire, the walls remaining in many places near three feet in heighth. Its dimensions were fifty-fix feet in length and fourteen in breadth (fee pl. XX. fig. 1.) The entrance to it was by a stonestep on the fouth fide. Immediately above this pavement were found many of the flates with which the roof had been covered: they were of a rhomboidal form, and feveral of them had the nails with which they had been fastened remaining in them.

This

This room in its fize and fituation bears a near resemblance to the cryptoporticus described by Major Rooke in his account of the Roman villa discovered at Manssield Woodhouse in Nottinghamshire (Vol. VIII. p. 365.), and was in all probability designed for the same purpose.

The above mentioned building was pleafantly fituated on the fide of a hill facing the fouth at the distance of about a mile from the great Roman road leading from Cirencester to Gloucester, seven miles from the former and about eleven from the latter; and must undoubtedly have been the villa of some Ro-

man of confiderable eminence.

About two feet above the level of the cryptoporticus before mentioned appeared the remains of another testellated pavement of a red and white checquered figure, in a very indifferent state of preservation. No further discoveries have been since prosecuted on that spot; but having obtained leave of the proprietor for that purpose, I hope at some future time to be able to give a more satisfactory account of a subject which I slatter myself will not be thought unworthy of attention.

On the fouth fide of the abovementioned building, and at a small distance from it, was a small coppice wood of about half an acre. This was grubbed up in December, 1787, for the purpose of digging stone for building, which seemed to lie there very near the surface. The labourers soon discovered this appearance to have arisen from the ruins of a very large building overgrown with the coppice, and having sound stone ready hewn to their hands, they immediately pulled down all that remained of the walls, and piled up the materials in heaps, to the amount of at least two hundred cart-loads; so that as

no one was then present who could make any drawing or ground plan by the appearance in them exhibited, the only account that can now be given is such as could be collected from persons employed there at the time.

There were, they fay, fix rooms parallel to each other. running from North to South, nearly of the same fize, which was a square of about twelve feet. On the West side were two rooms much larger than either of the other fix, and at the opposite end an hypocaust of considerable dimensions, as is evident from the great quantity of square bricks and fragments of the flues of which it was built, and near these remains were found two columns, each of which was broken off in the middle. See a figure of one of them Pl. XX. fig. 2. These had probably been used in some part of the hypocaust; for as their heighth was only from four feet and one inch it is difficult to conceive to what other part of the building they could have belonged. There was also the fragment of a smaller column, (fig. 3.) and a flat stone 2 feet 4 inches in length, and 1 foot 7 inches and half in breadth, which has very much the appearance of a small hearth stone, (see fig. 4.) The walls remained in many places four feet in heighth, and were stuccoed on the Two of the smaller rooms had tesselated floors, on one of which were many figures of birds and fishes. The only pavement preferved is shewn in the plate, fig. 5. The other floors were of stucco. In the corner of one of the rooms was a human skull; and a large quantity of fragments of deer horns were found on the outfide of the building. Many fragments of glass were found amongst the ruins, which had evidently been used in the windows. It is probable that glass was at a very early period used by the Romans for this purpose; con-VOL. IX. Tt fiderable

fiderable quantities of it were discovered in the ruins of Pompeii, as is mentioned by Sir William Hamilton in his account of the discoveries made there, Archæol. Vol. IV. p. 171. The only coins found in these ruins were of Constantine and Magnentius.

A fragment of a rude piece of sculpture in stone, representing the figure of a Roman soldier armed, with a shield and spear, in bass relief, probably part of a sarcophagus (see the Plate, sig. 6.) was ploughed up in a field adjoining to those before mentioned, and in the same field was sound a large stone, in which was sastened a strong iron staple of a door.

XXIX.

XXIX. Memoir concerning the Roman Baths discovered, in the year 1788, at Wroxeter, the ancient Uriconium or Viroconium. In a letter from the Rev. Mr. Leighton of Shrewsbury to Mr. Gough, Director.

Read May 7, 1789.

DEAR SIR,

Shrewsbury, March 28, 1789.

A fevere and tedious fit of inflammatory rheumatism has hitherto prevented my acknowledgment of your last favour, and the completion of my promise respecting the communication of the discoveries of Roman antiquities made lately at Wroxeter. This communication I hope will not have been made too late for your design of presenting them to the Society of Antiquaries, before it shall rise for the ensuing season.

My first promise respecting this communication was made to you, and therefore is certainly facred to you. I conceived the object might be thought worthy of Gov. Pownall's personal examination; and I have yet no doubt that it will prove so; especially since he means to sollicit leave from Mr. Pulteney, (which will certainly not be resused) to open the ground surther. I am much flattered by the Governor's polite acceptance of my invitation, and wish to express to him my sense of the honour he intends me, if you will have the goodness to favour

me with his address. Though Roman antiquities do not abound very near this spot, yet I hope we may find objects to amuse and engage a person of such extensive curiosity and information for some days.

Permit me to add that this county has been hitherto too fuperficially confidered by yourfelf as an antiquary; and that as a Cicerone and as a *hoft*, I shall think myself always particularly happy in any opportunity of easing your conscience from this sin of omission.

I am, Dear Sir,

Your obliged and obedient fervant,

## FRANCIS LEIGHTON.

In the month of June, 1788, one Clayton a farmer at Wroxeter having occasion for some stone to rebuild a smith's shop lately burnt down, and knowing by the dryness of the ground that there were ruins at no great depth beneath the surface of a field near his house, began to dig, and soon came to the floor marked I. and the small bath K, in the annexed plan [a]. Application was made to William Pulteney, Esq. the proprietor of the soil, for leave to open the ground farther, which was readily granted. Coins both of the upper and lower empire, bones of animals (some of which were burnt), fragments of earthen vessels of various sizes, shapes, and manusacturers, some of them black, and resembling Mr. Wedgewood's imitation of the Etrusean vase, and (as Mr. Telsord the architect informed me) pieces of glass were found in various places; and the whole

[a] Pl. XXI.

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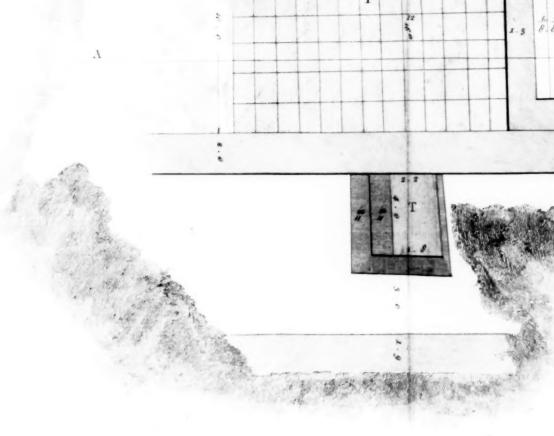
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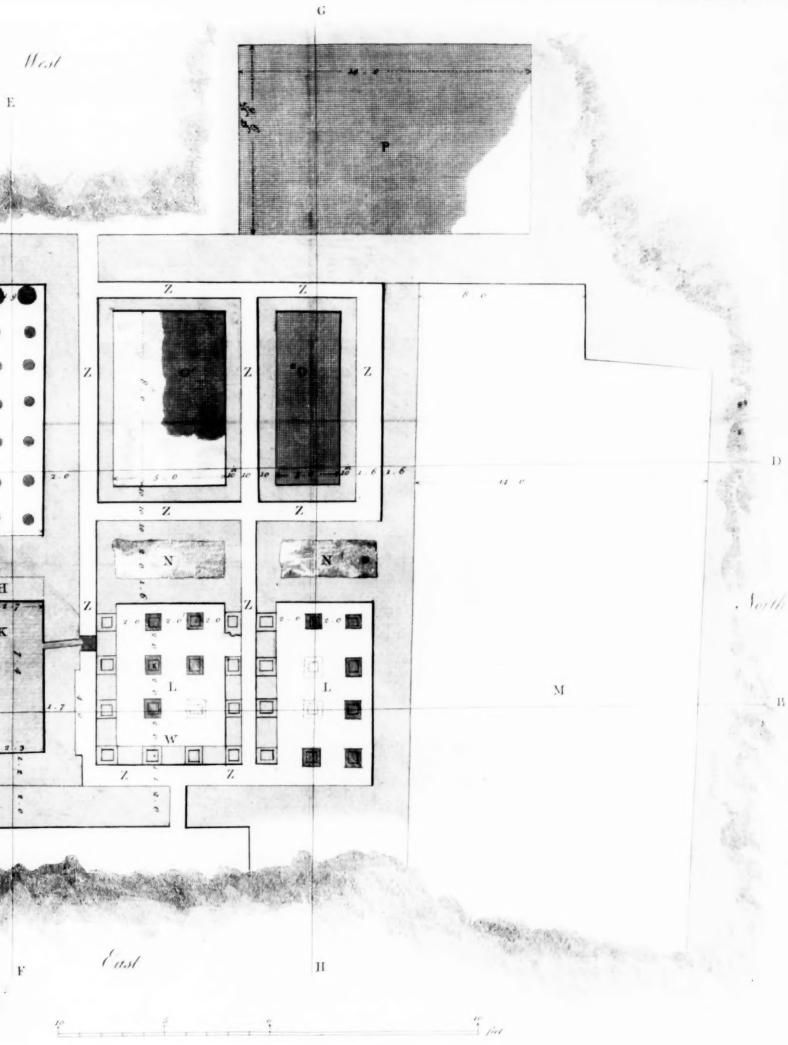
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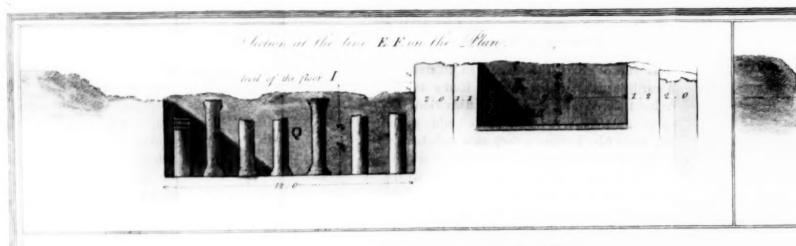


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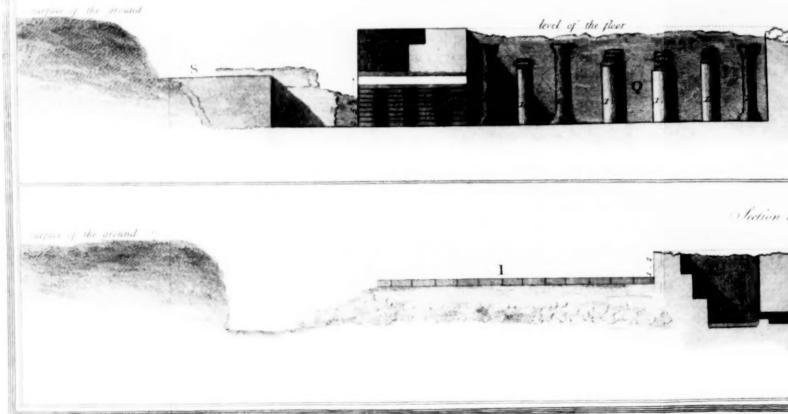
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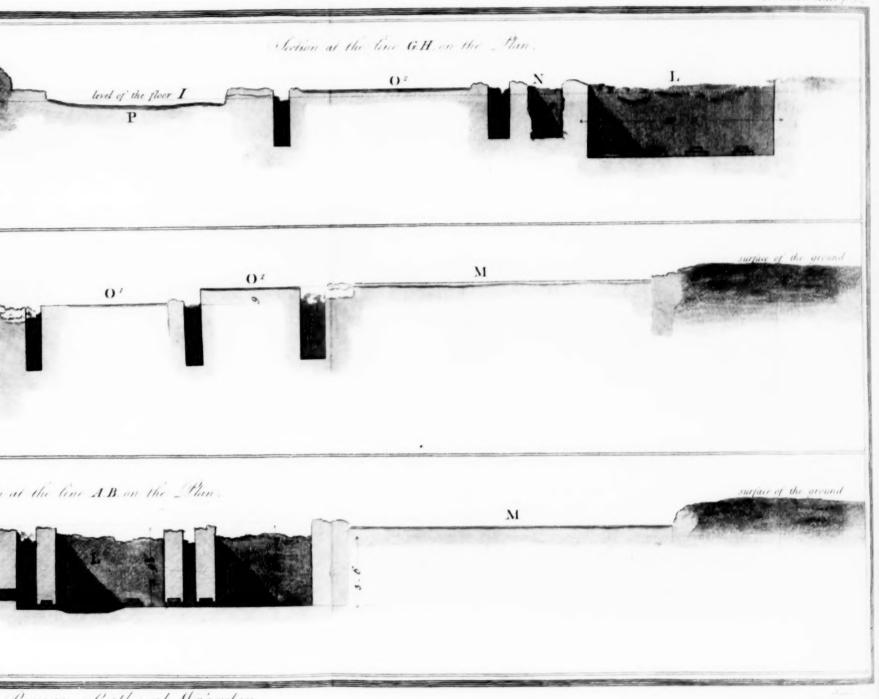
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ground was full of charred substances in different strata, with layers of earth between them, which seems to indicate that the place has suffered more than one conflagration. I procured a ground plan and sections of the whole building, as far as it is discovered, from Mr. Telford a very able architest, who at prefent superintends several public and private works in this town. To these I shall add nothing more than explanations of the letters of reference in the plan, as I conceive that a general idea of the uses of the different apartments may be formed by comparing Mr. Telford's with the plate of the baths at Baden Weiler, and the learned and admirable explanation of it in the Appendix to Governor Pownal's Netices, &c. concerning the Roman Province in Gaul.

The admeasurement and levels having been taken by myself, I can answer for their truth and accuracy; my description of the ruins I hope will be found intelligible.

The fections Pl.XXII. are taken where the red lines are drawn plan: viz. two from South to North, AB, CD, and two from West to East, EF, GH.

Where there is only one denomination of figures in the plan or fection, it means inches: where there are two, they mean English feet and inches.

I. The floor first discovered. It is paved with tiles sixteen inches long, twelve inches wide, and half an inch thick. The tiles lie on a bed of mortar one foot thick, under which are rubble stones to a considerable depth.

K. A bath

K. A bath capable of holding four persons, supposing them to sit on the steps or seats along the South side. Through the North side is a hole near the bottom marked & in the section, at the distance of two seet six inches from the West end. The bottom is paved with tiles, and the sides and seats plastered with mortar, consisting of three layers or coats: the first, or that next the stones is formed of sime, and bruised or pounded brick without sand: the third of the same, but a greater proportion of sime, and a little sand: this is very smooth on the surface and very hard.

LL. Seem to have been Hypocausta, having the soundations of pillars as marked in the plan. Each lower tile is one foot square; and upon them are others eight inches square: they stand upon a floor of mortar, which, in some places is depressed, (see the section on the line AB.) as if forced down by some great weight. The pillars stand at two seet distance from each other, from center to center; and are disposed in the same regular manner under the walls of these apartments. The tiles expressed in the plan by dotted lines were not in their places: but, as they were sound thrown in other parts of the same Hypocausta, it is presumed from the regularity of the rest, that they originally stood where they are drawn.

About W immediately under the foundation of the wall were found feveral pieces of painted stucco, some of which were in stripes of crimson on a yellow ground, some in a decustated checquer of the same colours, others plain red, and others plain blue. There was found in this place a tile two feet square, pierced with many holes, which holes were wide at the lower side, and ended almost in a point at the upper side.

M. is a large floor formed of a thin layer of mortar, upon a thick one of pounded bricks.

NN. appear like fingle baths. The only objection to this sup-

position is, that the walls which form them are very irregular within.

O1. O2. are tesselated floors made of pieces of brick one inch and a quarter square, not disposed in any fancied form, but in a simple chequer: the tesselæ are all red. O1. is on a level with the paved floor I. O 2. is nine inches above that level.

P. A large tessellated floor made of tesselæ of the same size and colour, and disposed in the same manner as those of O<sub>1</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>. This is on the Western side of the wall which bounds the other apartments. It is on the same level with the floor I, but much crushed down.

Q. A large Hypocaustum. Its floor is of mortar upon rubble stones, very hard, and lying four feet three inches below the level of I. The pillars are not uniform in their shape, size, or disposition: some rows consisted of six, some of seven pillars: some pillars were much shorter than others, and the deficiency was made up by tiles or stones laid upon them: some were apparently the fragments of large columns of a kind of granite, one foot six inches, and one soot two inches in diameter: others were of a red free stone ten inches in diameter: the sour small square pillars at X were formed of tiles laid one upon another; in the openings y y ashes were sound.

R. A small bath in one corner of the Hypocaustum, with one seat or step on two of its sides: the whole of the inside is well plastered with the same fort of mortar as the bath K. This bath stands upon pillars of tiles one foot square: the intervals between them are from sour to seven inches wide, and one foot seven inches high. These pillars stand on the level of the floor of the Hypocaustum. From this bath in the direction R S there was sound a piece of leaden pipe, not soldered, but hammered together, and the seam or puncture secured by a kind of mortar: and there appears a kind of channel or groove cut in large

flones,

strongs, which falls three inches in twelve feet. But for this circumstance of the pipe I should conjecture R to have been a steam or vapour bath, rather than a water bath; because the Eastern side has no wall; but flues or tunnels were found sticking in a perpendicular position, which exactly filled the interval marked || between the bath R and the wall dividing the apartments I and Q. These slues were of tile, with lateral apertures. I forbear to describe them because it is already done in T. Lyster's account of the Hypocaustum formerly sound at Wroxeter, in the Philosophical Transactions, N° 306, page 2226, of which Hypocaustum there is a good small model in wood in the library of the schools in this town. Fragments of such flues were sound in various parts of the ruin. The bath R seems to have wanted the Southern as well as the Eastern wall; and both those sides might probably be occupied by flues.

T. is a place 4 feet deep below the level of the floor I. It has a paved bottom; and is formed by large granite stones on the southern and eastern sides, on the north by a large thin red stone set on edge. To the east of this place, there appears to

be another wall running north and fouth.

ZZZ. are intervals between the walls, of the different breadths marked in the plan: intended probably for the purpose of conveying heat by flues to the different apartments; and fome possibly for carrying off the water.

The river Severn lies to the west of these ruins, about a quarter of a mile distant. The ground declines from the ruins toward the south. The nearest spring is, I understand, 200 or 300 yards to the north-east, in a situation something higher than these baths.

There is no hot or warm spring in the neighbourhood.

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XXX. Remarks on the title of Thane and Abthane. By Robert Riddel, of Glen Riddel, Efq. In a letter to Mr. Gough.

Read January 8, 1789.

Sin, Friars carfe, near Dumfries.

GREEABLE to my promise I fend you some remarks on the title of Thane in Scotland, and the authority that was annexed to that most antient and honourable office by our Kings and the Estates, in the earlier ages of the Scottish monarchy. A Thane (which fignifies a servant) held under the king a jurisdiction over a diffrict called a Thanedom, and afterwards a Sheriffdom or County. His office was to give judgement in all civil and criminal cases within his Thanedom. Upon perufing the claims of hereditary jurisdiction in Scotland, when they were annexed to the crown in 1748, I find that in the year 1405 a receipt was granted by Robert duke of Albany, regent of Scotland, for infefting Donald, thane of Calder, in his thanedom, as heir at law to Andrew, thane of Calder, his father, to whom he had previously been ferved heir, and returned in the heritable offices of Shircef (or Thane) of Nairn, and Constable of the castle of Nairn. He was accordingly seased of his lands and thanedom; and the feafine is produced as a voucher in the year 1748, to prove the fact. By this it appears that the VOL. IX. Un

thanes of Calder exercised a jurisdiction over the thanedom, and afterwards sherissidom of Nairn. The title of earl (an English dignity derived from the Saxon word Eorlas, signifying honour, was first introduced into Scotland by Malcolm Canmore, and gained ground to the prejudice of the more ancient title of Thane. The title of earl was often granted without any jurisdiction annexed to it; but the dignity of Thane, never. And this perhaps was the chief reason for its total disuse in the year 1476, when William thane of Calder had his thanedom erected into a free barony and regality. He was the last Thane in Scotland; for the crown, to add to its influence, then abolished this dignity.

As to the very antient title of Abthane, I am more at a loss to point out the nature and extent of its jurisdiction. I find Crinan, Abthane of Dull and the Western Isles, (who married Beatrix the eldest daughter of Malcolm the Second, and was father to Duncan the First king of Scotland) was considered as the most powerful man in the kingdom. It is generally thought that he exercised the office of chief justiciar over the kingdom; perhaps in a fimilar manner as it was exercised by the family of Argyle fo late as the year 1628, when the lord born heiritable justiciar of all Scotland did refign that high office to king Charles I. In addition to the office of chief justiciar: Crinan (as it was thought) was the king's steward over the crown lands in the Western Isles, as well as a large district on the main land of Scotland, called Dull. What was the extent of the crown's patrimony called Dull, I do not know; but in the claim of Sir Robert Menzies for the lordship of Apin O Dull, in 1748, the lord advocate, in his reply, fays, that the lordship of Apin O Dull

O Dull was antiently a part of the patrimony of the crown; and it is natural to suppose that it was part of Crinan's Abthanedom.

The lordship of Apin O Dull, as claimed by Sir Robert Menzies, comprehended the lands fituated in the parishes of Weem, and Dull, and Logierant. The man & to man the man anom

Crinan was the last Abthane of Scotland; for his fon, Duncan the First, appointed Bancho thane of Lochaber, as his dapifer or fenescallus. And Malcolm Canmore appointed Walter to the office of dapifer domini regis, which became hereditary in his family until they succeeded to the throne in the perfon of Robert the Second,

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XXXI. Observations on the Derivation of the English Language. In a Letter from the Rev. William Drake, A.M. F. S. A. to the Rev. Mr. Norris, Secretary.

## Read June 11 and 18, 1789.

REV. SIR,

TOU may remember I fent you formerly fome obfervations upon the English language, endeavouring to prove it originally Gothic [a]. It must indeed be allowed that many Celtic terms are visible in it; for which many causes may be affigned; but that the chief materials of which our language is constituted are purely Teutonic no one that attentively confiders it can, I think, possibly deny. The Gothic, of which we have happily recovered fuch valuable remains, is the parent, from whence a very numerous progeny are descended. The learned Grævius, in his life of Junius, has traced the pedigree with great accuracy, which, if you give me leave, I will infert in his own words: "His omnibus linguis imbiben-" dis cum satis diu Junius insudasset, vidit, quod et privatim " apud omnes, quibuscum agebat de hac doctrina, tum pub-" lice testatus est, Gothicam esse matrem omnium cæterarum " Teutonicarum linguarum, ex qua profluxerit vetus Cimbrica,

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" monumentis Runarum posteris tradita, necnon Suecica, Dani-44 ca, Norwegica, Islandica, quibus illius plagæ homines isto tempore suas animi cogitationes explicant. Ex Anglo-Saxoni-" ca, quæ et ipfa est propago Gothicæ, manavit Anglica, Sco-" tica, Belgica, Frisica vetus. Ex Gothica & Saxonica orta est "Francica, quæ Germanicæ superioris parens est."-From this quotation you may observe, Sir, that from the Gothic are derived all the Northern languages, excepting that spoken by the Sarmatians, who, from the earliest time, had one peculiar to themselves: and you may also observe, that the Gothic language has no connection with those people, who being the remains of the antient Britons, adopted the Celtic tongue, as the Welfh, the Irish, some part of the Scots, the Cornish, and Armoricans. Having premifed thus much by way of introduction. I shall proceed, as I did before, to confront a chapter of the Gothic Gospel with the same chapter of our English translation; a mode, I apprehend, the most effectual to discover what degree of affinity these two languages bear to each other. But before I begin, I must apprize you, that in the examination of these words I shall make some few digressions from my principal subject, for which I shall hope for your indulgence; as, I believe, you will agree with me, that mere dictionary making, without some other intervening matter to amuse, is as difagreeable to the writer, as it is unpleafing to the reader.

I shall take the fourth chapter of St. Mark for my present purpose.

Aftra. I need not inform you that from hence our after is derived.

Jaisus. Jesus.

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Dugann,

Bugann, Began. The deduction of the English verb to begin from the Gothic dugann is very obvious. Ginnan is the radix to which the preposition du is affixed; but it seems to be merely prapositio otiosa, conveying with it no additional signification. The Saxons adopted the same verb, and prefixed different particles to it, without any alteration of sense. Angynnan, agynnan, ongynnan, beginnan, are synonymous, denoting the same thing. Upon this principle our earliest writers made use of the simple verb, without any additional prefixure. Thus in one of the oldest romances we have in English, called Alexander, it is so expressed:

"He takes Bultiphal by the fide, So as a swallow he gynneth forth glide."

So in Pierce Plowman's dream:

" And that is the great God that ginning had never."

Our Chaucer also:

"Than gan our hoste to laughen wonder loude."

And this mode of expression descended down to the times of Spenser:

" He coming near gan gently her falute."

Nor was it quite obsolete when Shakspeare wrote; who uses it with inexpressible beauty:

"The glow-worm shews the matin to be near, And gins to pale his uneffectual fire."

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I am fatisfied Sir Thomas Hanmer was unacquainted with the origin and nature of this word, as he has here put an apostrophe before gins; erroneously supposing it to be a contraction of the two fyllables for the fake of the metre.

Laifgan, To teach. After premiting that the Gothic G is frequently liquidated into the Y, it will be no difficult matter to discover that this verb, Laifgan, and the substantive Laifana, in the next verse, are the undoubted parents of the English to lesson, and a lisson. I must own a zeal for the autiquity of our language makes me observe, with some fort of indignation, our great philologer Johnson deriving our lesson from the French leçon. This was pidling upon the furface, when he should have dug deep for the true etymon; for words like truth require much opening to come at their original. An English dictionary, indeed, which is not supported upon a Gothic foundation as to its dérivations, is-" monstrum horrendum cui "lumen ademptum."

At Marein, at the fea. The word Marein, though apparently Latin, is derived from a much higher fource, to which all our Western languages owe their birth. It is purely Celtic, as Mor in Welfh, Miur in Irifh, and Moir in Erfe, fignify the fea at this very day. It is for this reason that the people inhabiting that part of the coasts of France called Britanny were, in Cæsar's time, named Morini and Armorica, and by Strabo Ewwweavilas, a word expressive of the same meaning. From the Gothic Marein however the Saxons took their Meare, and we our Meer, which implies a large collection of water. Gawen Douglass, who lived in the fifteenth century, calls the.

the Porcus Marinus, which was the occasion of Hyppolitus's death in Virgil, a more swine:

"As to be harlet with horse that caught effray, And skeichit at ane mere swyne by the way."

Hence also our Meermaid.

You will give me leave here, Sir, to fuggest a reason why so many Celtic words shew themselves in the Gothic, and from thence have been conveyed to the English.

It is univerfally acknowledged that the Celtic was the original language of those people who emigrated immediately after the dispersion to the West; consequently all the European tongues must have been first formed from that general matrix. Hence the remains of the Celtic are not only visible in the Gothic, Greek, and Latin, but every Teutonic nation, and even the French, Italians, and Spaniards, speak in some degree the language of their Celtic ancestors. These Celts, we are informed by Cæfar, were the fame people as the Gauls: "Qui " ipforum lingua Celtæ nostra Galli appellantur." same elegant writer lays it down as an indisputable historic fact, that many of the Germanic nations, who certainly were a Teutonic people, became colonies of the Gauls, passing over the Rhine at different times to subjugate that people, and take possession of their territories. On the other hand we are told, that some of the Gallic tribes forced their way into Germany, and there established themselves. The Tectosages, a people of Gallia Narbonensis, possessed themselves of the most fertile regions of Germany. The Boil and Helvetii, fprung from the fame Gaulith flock, made very confiderable acquifitions near the

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Hercynian forest. To this we may add, from Livy, that the Bituriges and Semnones, Celtic nations, many years before the time of Cæsar, established themselves under the conduct of Segovefus, in Germany. This, I apprehend, will fufficiently account for the difpersion of words derived from both languages, and inform us, why Celtic derivations may be found among Gothic or Teutonic nations and Teutonic names, difcovered among the different branches of the Celts. But befides this reason which I have here brought for the intermixture of Celtic with the English, the ingenious Mr. Whitaker has given us another, expressed in his usual animated and decisive style. He affirms, in opposition to the generality of our historians, that the Britons were not exterminated at the Saxon invasion; but that they remained under the dominion of their conquerors, mingled with them in their towns, and incorporated with them in the country. From whence he naturally infers, that a large colony of Celtic words were introduced into the Saxon language. If these premises of Mr. Whitaker can be proved, though the voice of history declares the contrary, and a very intelligent writer expressly afferts, that the Britons were fo intirely extirpated, that scarce a single word of the language was admitted by the Saxons; the confequence which that gentleman would draw from them must unavoidably follow. But to whatever extent this argument may be urged, it can only prove that a few Celtic words do now and then make their appearance in the English language; and I shall not scruple to affert, that neither this or any other argument can be adduced, that may shew that there is the least radical or effential affinity between

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the two languages; or that any branch of the Celtic contains the most distant resemblance, in idiom, structure, genius, or any other criterion that language may be tried by, to the prefent English. But after all, the Goths might have picked up this word Marein from the Romans, as they refided at that time in I hrace and Mæfia, of which place Ulphilas, the translator of the Gospel, was bishop. It is certain Mæsia continued for a confiderable time a Roman province, and confequently the language of Rome must have prevailed in some degree there, as it did in all the other provinces; and this will feem the more probable, if we confider that three legions, which must have amounted at the least to twenty thousand men, were flationed in that country for some centuries. But to put an end to this tedious digression, I must tell you, we are not confined to this Marein; the Goths have another term to express the same idea, Saiwa, from which the Saxon Sa, and our Sea, are without the least dispute derived. Is it not curious then to observe, how congenial these two languages are, notwithstanding the variations of inflections, orthography, and other particulars, which must naturally happen to two tongues that have been fo long feparated? Is filba, his felf, which, by the bye, is better English than bimfelf, when used for the nominative case; was flandands, was standing; nequa faiwa Gainefaraith, near the fea Genefereth. manegeins filu, a great multitude-From this substantive manegeins, and the adjective manag, which we find in the next verse, descends our many; recollecting only what I have hinted before, that the Gothic g is frequently fostened into the y. This word uniformly makes its appearance in every Teutonic

Tentonic language. The Scotch writers call a multitude a menzie; and our English poets make use of menie when they would express any large retinue or company attendant upon great men. Thus in the old Chevy Chace, written not later than Henry the Sixth's time:

"Then the Perfe out of Bamborowe cam,
With him a mighty meany."

Filu is an adjective expressing number. The Saxons call it Feals, and most of the Northern languages have inherited it. The Germans, who, it must be acknowledged, are much nearer the Gothic than we are, say Viel. The labial letters are indeed transferrable in most tongues. Thus the samily of Fane and Vane with us are certainly the same, acknowledging the same ancestors, and bearing the same arms; and in the Armulum, a piece placed by Dr. Hickes amongst the sirst writers after the Conquest, Fers is wrote for Verse:

" Min Ferse to fillen," i. e. To fill my verse.

This word Filu is not intelligible to us at present; but in old language it frequently occurs. In the Romance of Alexander, which I have before mentioned, composed in the reign of Edward the Second, it appears:

"In the land also I find of Inde
Bene cities five thousand;
Withouten idles and castelis
And boroughtowns swith selès."—i. e. very many.

In Pierce Plowman's Crede, a work of the fourteenth century, it also makes its appearance:

"Fermerye and fraitur with fele mo houses."
meaning, many more houses.

Gawen Dowglas likewise makes frequent use of Feil for many or several. The prevalency of this word seems to have been in a great degree lessened before the time of Chaucer, though we now and then meet with it in that poet:

"For rude was the cloth, and more of age By daies fele than at hire marriage."

by many days.

The French have retained this word in their substantive Foule, a multitude or crowd.

Our great antiquary Leland, if I remember right, derives the name of the fea-port, Falemouth, or Falmouth, from the many mouths or channels through which the fea runs into the harbour.—You will perhaps more readily acquiesce in this opinion, when I inform you, that Robert of Gloucester, one of our earliest writers of English, uses this adjective in the very same form:

"How might fuch stones so great and so fale Be ybrought of so fer land?"

The meaning of which, is, how might so great and so many stones be brought from so distant a country. Upon the whole you will conclude with me, that whatever vowel is made use of in the orthography of this word, whether the i, the e, or

the a, our Gothic filu took irs place in the English language for many ages, though at present no vestige of it remains.

Lesun sik, gathered themselves.—This is not familiar to an English ear. The Saxons say upon this occasion gadered was, which being Teutonic equally supports my hypothesis. However some glimpses even of the Gothic are discernable among us. Lesan, colligere, certainly gave birth to to lease, which according to Dryden signisses to glean or gather what the harvest-men leave. We have also in Shakspeare to lease, importing to bind or tie any thing together. Hence also the substantive, a lease, a band. In the suneral games of Virgil, the string that tied the pidgeon to the mast, at which the archers were to direct their arrows, is called by Gawen Dowglas the lesses;

" He that the lesche in funder drave."

All which certainly convey the idea of gathering or collecting together.

Du imma, to him. Those who are conversant with the Teutonic languages will know how frequent the D and T are changed for each other in every branch of them. The close affinity between the Gothic and the English will by that means appear here very visible,

Sva, Sve, leithan in Skip. So that he went into a thip.

The first word is our so. In regard to the other sve, I must observe, though it is here made use of; the Goths had their thata answering to the English that, in all its senses. As to lethan, to go, though we may see a little of it in the Saxon, we have not the least glimpse of it with us. However, in support of my design,

defign, I must take notice, that there are feveral Gotine verbs fynonymous with this, that have descended to us in their native purity. Faran, ire, every where occurs in our searly writers: thus in an ancient pattoral in bishop Percy's collection,

"Some other man leguile
For I will hameward fara."

Our Chaucer also,

"And in his fotthward is he fare In hope forto be leffed of his care."

So G. Dowglas, and the way should be qualided

"Than fpeedily with haift and befy fare The labourers."

The phrases that are made from this verb faren, as wither do you fare, how fares it with you, and several others of the same nature, are at this day very universally understood. Those small terrestrial deities, which children hear so much of, are very ingeniously derived from this word by the laborious Skinner. "M. Casaubonus," says he, "nostrum Fairies dessectit a Græco paper. Fauni, nondum tamen mihi satisfactum est; mallem igitur deducere a Saxonico, potius Gothico, faren, ire, proficisci, peregrinari, quia scilicet hi Dæmones huc illue noctu vagari & choreas ducere vulgo creduntur." Another Gothic verb synonymous with leithan, signifying to go, is gangan. To gang uniformly runs through all the old English and Scotch poets, and is even now familiar to every ear conversant in the Northern dialect, and intelligible to the most refined.

In skip. I need not tell you from hence is our skip. I find in the Norwegian language, which is the most immediate defeendant of the Gothic, the original k retained. Torfæus, an Islandic historian, informs us that a Norwegian prince called Haco, intending an invation of some part of Scotland, landed a numerous body of forces in the bay of Skipford, which words he interprets the bay of ships. In a fragment of Scandinavian history lately published, we meet with this truly Gothic expreffion, Fela skipa, many ships. The Saxons, who took this word from the Goths, and fixed it in our dialect, wrote it with a c inflead of a k, and pronounced it probably as we do. This circumstance relating to these two languages is explained by Junius: "Omnes voces quas Anglo-Saxones passim cum C scri-"bunt Gothici semper scribunt per K. Ita Kaifar Codici Argen-"teo est Cafar. Gothicum Kinn, mentum, est Saxonicum Cinn;" hence our Chin.

Sitan in Marein; fat at the fea. To fitt and fitan, allowing for the Gothic termination of the infinitive mood, are exactly the fame.

Alla fw Menagei, all the many or the multitude. This adjective, alls, all, has regularly descended to all the Northern nations. If we are to subscribe to the opinion of Junius, who judges "Gothicam linguam ab eadem origine cum Græca profluxisse," there can be little difference between the alls and the Greek odgs.

Was withra merein, was by the fea. The three singular perfons of the Gothic auxiliary verb in the imperfect tense are, Ik was, thu wast, is was. A resemblance of words does not so much evidence the relationship of languages, though it certainly tainly affords a very strong argument in proof of it, as the fameness of the idioms observable in them. Of those idioms auxiliary verbs stand in the first rank; if therefore the English coincides in this particular with the Gothic the descent of the first from the last is strikingly announced. Now the affinity of the two tongues in regard to this circumstance is, as you may perceive, so manifest, that we cannot possibly doubt from what

fource our language was drawn.

Anna Statba, on the land, as in our translation; but flatba more immediately denotes the banks or shore of the " fea or a "river." That is also the Saxon fignification. Johnson makes a very judicious remark in regard to this word. Stead, fays he, being in the name of a place that is distant from any river comes from the Saxon Sted, a place; but if it be upon a river or harbour, it is to be derived from Stethe (Stathe he should have said. for there is no fuch Saxon word in that fense as Stethe), a shore or station for ships. But I am afraid, when this author made that observation, he was not apprifed, that both the Saxon Sted and Stathe are derived, the former from the Gothic Stads. locus, and the latter from the Gothic Stath, ripa. Whether this Stathe is used without a compound in our language, I confess I do not at prefent recollect. No Dictionary takes notice of it; yet I am inclined to think it must somewhere or other; for it is certain that a street that is carried along the banks of the river Oufe at York has been always, and is now called the Stayth.

But I perceive that this paper will swell into an unreasonable bulk, if I proceed with this regularity; I shall therefore quit this method, and only take notice of some sew expressions or words that particularly strike me. However, I will venture

to affure you, if I was to go on verse by verse through this whole chapter, which is a very long one, I should not meet with three words that were not the fathers of some English progeny.

In the parable of the fower; fa faiands, the fower, or more literally he fowing; urran, went out; du faian, to fow; fraia, the feed.

In faiands we find the Gothic termination of the participle present; the Saxons adopted it, and we for many ages retained it, though now we have quite laid it aside, taking ing instead of it, as loving, not lovande. In very old poetry this Gothic termination universally prevails:

- " Turnand faules into blifs,"
- " Wisdom servand to little new,
- " Hys moder stant him bi Wepand."

And in a thousand other instances.

In Chaucer's time the termination ing succeeded to ande, though that poet frequently uses the latter, and even in Spencer we find glitterande for glittering. Dowglas, who wrote a century later than Chaucer, invariably adheres to the old participle: thus we have byrnande, tremblande, twynclande, and a thousand others.

In du faian to fow, we may observe the progress of the infinitive mood through the Gothic and Saxon to the English. That mood in these two ancient languages terminated in their purest times in an, as Saian Gothic and Saian Saxon to sowe. But when the Normans had corrupted the Saxon tongue with a Vol. IX.

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foreign mixture, that infinitive ended in en, as faine, loven ; and after some time it intirely dropt the n as to sowe, to love, which alteration remains to this day. I will give you authority for what I advance as to the Gothic termination. The Codex Argenteus, which I have now before me, never deviates from it. And that the Saxons adopted the fame mode of writing the infinitive, the Saxon Chronicle, which I often converse with, will thew you most evidently; nor did they ever change it, notwithstanding the Danish invasions, which altered some other parts of their language, till the time of Henry the Fiest, as you may see in that Chronicle, which does not end till the reign of Stephen. In the period I have mentioned the infinitive first terminated in en, and went down in our language by a regular descent to the age of Chaucer, after which it feems gradually to vanish, and before Spenfer to give place to the prefent method of writing. In the Geste of King Horn, which is the oldest romance in the English tongue that can be discovered, this form is observed:

> "And teche at the lifts that thou ever wifes, Before me to kerven, and of my course to serven."

Near a century after this, in an elegy on the death of King Edward the First, who died in the year 1307, the same infinitive occurs.

"That our kynge hede take on hond,
To wenden into the holy londe,
To wynnen us hevenliche bliffe."

In the next age we meet with it almost universally.

Thus

Thus in the Plowman's Crede:

"They prechen all of pardon, to plesen the puple, By ensample of our liif, soules to helpen."

In Chaucer's time the modern infinitive began to be in use, though the old one was still retained. In one of his lines we have them both:

"This is to fay, to fingen and to rede,
As fmall children don in hir childhede."

I had forgot to mention, that in one of the first pieces of poetry in our language, I met with the genuine Gothic termination of the infinitive an:

" Ne bith na man weri Heora songestd beran."

However the present method of writing was persectly established by the reign of Henry the Seventh, as in Skelton, who was poet laureat to that king, we observe not a single instance of the original termination. In Spenser therefore, who lived a century after him, it will be in vain to look for it. I hope you will not think me tedious in what I have said about the descent of the English participle and infinitive from the Gothic and Saxon, as, I believe, you will agree with me, that such grammatical circumstances give the most evident proof of an affinity between languages.

Fraiw, the feed; however different this word may appear from the prefent feed, an attentive observer may still perceive some remains of it in our language; the Gothic fraiw not only Y v 2 denotes.

denotes, as here, literally, feed to fow with, but also children, or indeed the young of any thing. Thus it is faid we are fraise Abrahamis, the feed or children of Abraham. Hence we still say, a fry of frogs, a fry of fishes, meaning the young of those creatures. Spenser, in his Fairy Queen, has made an elegant use of this word:

"And them before the fry of children young Their wanton fports and childish mirth did play; And to the maidens founding tymbrils sung, In well attuned notes, a joyous lay."

In another passage of the same poet:

"But now this off fcum of that curfed Dare to renew the like bold enterprize."

It is remarkable, that the French verb frayer signifies to spawn as sishes do, and the substantive fray made from it is interpreted fratin, petit posson, fry, young sish. These, I suppose, must be some of the oldest words in their language, and certainly derived to them from their Gothic ancestors.

Before I finish with this word, I wish you would advert to the Gothic expression I quoted, we are Abrahamis Frain, the seed of Abraham. Here is the certain origin of our present Genitive case, which went from the Goths to the Saxons, and from them has descended to us. The learned Bishop of London was undoubtedly very right, when he afferted that the English possessive case terminated in is, and was improperly shortened by an Apostrophe;

trophe; but he would have much strengthened his argument if he had not stopped at the Saxons, but gone up to the sountain head, the Goths, who, as in this instance, wrote Abrahamis, of Abraham, so biminis, of heaven.

And we have the more reason to be of his opinion, as every declension of the Gothic, of which Dr. Hickes makes sisteen, is terminated in the genitive case by s; whereas, in the six declensions of the Saxon, three only have that termination. To this let me add, that the Franco-Theotiscan, a sister dialect, or at least the eldest daughter of the Gothic, of which Charlemain composed a grammar, adopts the same termination of the possessive case; as here an army, heres of an army. The same genius also appears in the Cimbro-Gothic, from which a very great share of our language is derived. Hujus linguae genitivus singularis terminatur in s, says Hickes, as God Deus, Gods Dei, beine os, beins ofsis, sede semen, sedis seminis, lamb agnus, lambs agni.

In a very old poem we may fee it written properly:

"Therin was clofyd a nayle grete,
That went throw our Lordis feet."

That is, through, the feet of our Lord.

As I am upon grammatical fubjects, I shall beg leave to make another observation of the same nature. The Goths, as we may perceive from the Codex Argenteus, when they would deny, made use of only one negative; the Greeks and Saxons, by an odd kind of absurdity, used two, nay sometimes three or sour, upon that occasion; our language being formed immediately from the Saxons retained their mode of denying for sometime.

"Sum raibtis draus faur wig, Some fell right down on or before the way"—

Sum is so perfectly English, that it must strike you immediately, but draws fell down is attended with difficulty, as we have no such verb, nor indeed had the Saxons; however, I am unwilling to leave it, without making it in some degree subservient to my purpose. What if I should make an English substantive from this Gothic verb? Draussan signifies, decidere, to fall down; from which is formed the noun, Drus, casus, or ruina, Anglice a falling down. Would it be too whimsical then to derive the Saxon drosne, and our dross, from this Gothic verb draussan? Johnson tells us, that the English dross is feculency, and feculency is again interpreted a sediment, or a falling down of any impurity to the bottom of the vessel. This seems to me to be the proper derivation of the word dross; if you know a better, Candidus imperti, si non, bac utere mecum.

Raibtis, Right. This is an adverb which adds an additional energy to the verb or noun it is connected with. The Goths uniformly used it in that sense: the Saxons adopted it from them; and we may trace it in our language, from its first institution to

the prefent time.

Thus in one of our earliest metrical romances:

"And the pryson when he came to, With his axe he smote right through Doors, barrs, and iron chaynes." In another composed about the same period:

"Alle that he hithe he fmote down right, Both Serjeant and Knight, Erle and eke Baron."

It prevailed invariably in every age after; and at this moment it is no folecism to say, The feed fell right upon the earth.

Faur wig. Though faur here answers to the Greek  $\pi \alpha \rho \alpha$ , and our on, or by, yet in many places of the Codex Argenteus it signifies before, or afore: thus, faur mel, afore the time; faura thus, before thee. From wig we may easily deduce our way, only observing that the Gothic g is frequently softened into the y or i; thus the Greek word wax is written gota, and Maria, Marga, with a thousand instances of that nature.

Our earliest writers retained this Gothism. One of them has written gow for you:

"And loke that ye in this manere, Eche of gow sle his tere."

So Robert of Gloucester uses the Gothic get, for yet, and the Saxon git, for it; and Chauser sais agensts, instead of against, and yessis, for gifts.

It is observable, that though most of the Northern languages have admitted this word wig, they have none of them spelt it with the i. The Saxons call it weg, the Danes vei, the Dutch weg, and we way.

Quemurs

Quemun fuglos fretun thata. From the Gothic Queman I have derived in a former paper our verb to come, which will appear more evident if you recollect what I have faid a little above in regard to the termination of the infinitive mood. Fuglos, supposing the g either removed or melted into a y, easily becomes our fowls; Fretun, they eat. Though this verb is lost in our present language, it frequently occurs in our old poetry. Chaucer, in his beautiful description of the temple of Mars, among other pictures of Horrour introduces

" The fow fretting the child in his cradle."

In the temple of Diana we have this picture:

"Ther faw I Acteon an hart y maked,
For vengeance that he faw Diana all naked:
I faw that his houndes have him caught,
And Fretten him, for that they knew him naught."

Gawen Douglass, in his preface to the Æneid, describingthe force of love, says,

" Bairs with thare tuskis will frett otheris skyn."

Though we do not at present acknowledge this original sense, we still retain the figurative one. By fretting we now undergrand corroding or eating, as it were, the mind by any uneasiness or commotion of temper. Homer has strongly marked this figure in the character of Bellerophon:

Ητοι ο καππεδίον το Αληίον οιος αλατο Ον θυμον κατεδων, πάζον αιθρωπων αλεεινών.

Which

Which Tully more literally than elegantly has thus translated;

" Qui miser in campis mœrens errabat Aleis,

" Ipfe fuum cor edens, hominum vestigia vitans."

It is strange that Johnson has put a Latin derivation to this verb to frett, as it is both Saxon and Gothic:

Thate prefents to you our well known pronoun that.

You will give me leave, Sir, to go more rapidly over the rest of the verses, as I am afraid I shall be too prolix, and run beyond the bounds which a paper of this kind requires. However, by this cursory view, you may easily perceive the striking affinity between the two languages. Wherever there is any thing worthy of observation, I shall make a longer pause, and communicate to you what I know upon such subjects.

Anthar, another; draus, fell; ana steinabam, in or on the stones; theira, there; ni babida, it had not; airtha manaya, many or much earth; suns, soon; utran, it run or sprung up; in thizei, in or for this (cause); ni babida, it had not; diupaizos, deepness; airthos, of earth.

At funnin urrinnandain, at the fun uprifing or running out. I must stop here to inform you of a particular circumstance relating to this word funnin, after premising that it has its existence in every language of the North. It is observable, that the term for the Sun is of the seminine gender in the German tongue, and that for the Moon in the masculine. This was certainly the case with the Goths and Saxons; and an eminent author assures us, that this particularity prevailed formerly in almost all the dialects of the Gothic language. That samous system of Scandinavian mythology, called the Edda, explains this cirvot. IX.

cumitance. It tells us, that there was a man named Mundifara, who had two children so beautiful and well shaped, that he called the male Mane, or the Moon; and the semale Sunna or the Sun. But the gods being angry at their presumption in taking upon them such sublime names, carried them up to heaven, and obliged the daughter to guide the car of the Sun. As, for Mane, he was set to regulate the course of the Moon and its different quarters.

Ufbrann, it burnt, or was scorched.

Our English ancestors varied very little from this word Brann. In one of our oldest pieces of poetry this is very visible: speaking of the Virgin Mary, it thus celebrates her:

- " Heil flern, that never stinteth light,
- " Heil bush, brennying that never was brent."

These lines not only prove my position, but strongly markthat partiality our first writers of verse had for alliteration. From brann is derived our substantive brand, meaning a lighted stake, which metaphorically became a sword in our earliest romances. "Ensis," says Junius, "appellatus Brand ab ardore "Martio bellorum."

" With helme, hauberke, and brands bright."

Unte, because; that word utterly unknown: ni babida, it had not; wartins, root. Wyrte in Saxon is sometimes radix, and sometimes berba; and a garden is oddly enough called in that tongue wyrtetun. Hence many plants, with some distinguishing mark affixed to them, retain this name among us; as wall wort, bee wort, water wort, mug wort, and many othersof that class.

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Thaursnoda, it became dry, thirsty, withered, εξηράνθη. Hence our adjective thirsty; and verb, to thirst.

Sums, some, daus, sell down, in thaurnus, in thorns. Thaurnus, the thorn, ufarstigun, grew or rose up; for this verb, vide Archæol. V. p. 350; jab and quapnidedun, choaked; the same word signifies extinguished; if we cannot make quenched from it, I must fairly give it up. The Saxons say Acwencan, Extinguere, which seems to have some affinity with this Gothic Quapnan: Thate that, jah and, ni gaf gave not. This is the impersect of the verb gibban dare; though we have said gave for some centuries, our sathers called this impersect, as the Goths did, gaf. Thus in Robert of Gloucester, who wrote in the time of Edward the First,

" How God gaf him fair chance at the bataile of Caifas."

To give you a decifive proof that the English must acknowledge a Gothic derivation, I will set before you several verbs of that original language which form their past time by changing their vowel; which irregularity we have also adopted in such a manner as to make the two languages appear absolutely the same:

Bidgan	Orare.	Imperfect	Bad
Bindan	Vincire.	Imperfect	Bund.
Gitan	Acquirere.	Imperfect	Gat.
Bringan	Ferre.	Imperfect	Brahte.
Dringan	Bibere.	Imperfect	Drank.
Braikan	Rumpere.	Imperfect	Brake.
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Giban	Dare.	Imperfect	Gaf. bates
Rinnan	Currere.	Imperfect	Rann.
Sitan	Sedere.	Imperfect	Sat.
Standan	Stare.	Imp. Stoth. th	pro d Gothice.
Swaran	Jurare.	Imperfect	Swor.
Qwiman	Venire.	Imperfect	Qwam.

By this lift, to which many other verbs might be added, you will perceive, Sir, that not only the Gothic and English imperfects are equally affected, but that their present tenses are perfectly the same, as an is only the characteristic termination of the Gothic infinitive.

Akran, corn or fruit. It is only necessary here to observe, that Akra which the Goths called corn, the Saxons made the field that produced that grain; and we mean by it only a certain measured portion of that field, an acre. Sums, some; draus, fell down; in airtha goda, in good earth; Airtha, earth. This word continues pure and unadulterated among all the descendants of the Goths. The Saxons called it Eorthe, the Danes at this day name it Jord, the Germans Herda, the Low Dutch Aerd, and the English Earthe. All which words are indeed exactly the fame, the genius of the Teutonic languages fubflituting the th and d mutually for each other. Tacitus, who particularly described the religion and manners of the Germans, tells us, that the Eartha in the earliest ages of the world was confidered as a goddefs, and divine honours were univerfally paid her. In commune Hertham, i. c. terram matrem colunt, eamque intervenire rebus hominum arbitrantur. All antiquity are full of the traces of this worship. The ancient Scythians, the undoubted

doubted ancestors of the Goths, adored the earth as wise of the Supreme God, who with him produced the inferior divinities, men, and all other creatures. They called her Mother Earth, and Mother of the Gods. In this character Virgil has finely represented her:

"Qualis Berecynthia mater, Invehitur curru Phrygias turrita per urbes, Læta Deûm partu, centum complexa nepotes, Omnes Cælicolas, omnes fuper alta tenentes."

Our Spenfer was full of this idea, when he calls her,

"Grandmother magnified
Of all the Gods, great Earth, great Chaos' child."

The Scandinavian Scalds, whose imaginations were rude, and consequently their figures far setched and remote, described the Earth by various expressions, chiefly drawn from their mythology. They called her the spouse of Odin, the sless on the Ymer, the daughter of the night, the vessel which sloats on the ages, and the soundation of the air.

Goda, good. This adjective makes its appearance in every dialect of the North; but in no other European tongue. It is the genuine child of the Goths, who named the Supreme Being by it, calling him, as we at this day do, God.—Deum, fays Junius, perennem bonitatis fontem, Teutonicæ linguæ authores God dixerunt, à God bonus.—The Saxons affirmed the fame word from the fame idea. Nys nan man God butan God and, there is no one good but God alone; as we have it in their translation

of the Gospel. I must not however conceal from you, that Paulus Diaconus, who wrote De Rebus Longobardarum, affigns another derivation for Gop. I need not inform you that Odin or Wodan was the Supreme Deity of the Scandinavians, and that his memory was in fuch veneration, that the descendants of that people do at this prefent diffinguish one day of the week by his name. The Saxons called it Wodensdag, the Icelanders Wonfdag, the Swedes Odinfdag, the Low Dutch Woenfdag, and the English Wednesday. Odin, therefore, says Diaconus, quem adjecta litera Godin dixere, ab universis Germaniæ gentibus ut Deus adoratur. But fure the former derivation, given by Junius, is greatly to be preferred. Jab and, gaf gave, akran corn or fruit. Utrinningdo, running out or fpringing up. Our English verb to run is frequently written in old English with an i, to rin. Jab and, wasgando waxing or increasing. From the Gothic washgan, we have the Saxon weaxan, the Danish voxe, the German wakfeu, the Low Dutch wassen, and the English wax; all fignifying to increase. Jub and, bar bare, or brought forth, ain one or fome, a fo much, ain one G. fo much, ain R. fo much.

Bithe, when; warth, he was or became. Wairthian and the Saxon Weorthian, both fignify fieri, to be, or become, and answer to the Greek verb Propan, the Codex Argenteus always rendering example by warth. This word prevails much in our early language, as may be seen in Percy's collection. Gawen Dowglas, whose speech more abounds with Saxon than any English writer, frequently uses it.

"While in their dry throtis the ayand warth fcant." i. e.

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<sup>&</sup>quot; While in their dry throats their breath became short."

I must observe to you, that in the Franco-Theotiscan language, of which we have copious remains as far back as the eighth century, the verb werthensio prevails much in the same manner as the Gothic waithian. Thus in the Gospels of Orfind of Weissenberg, who, by the bye, was the first known rimer in any of the vulgar European dialects, we have this expression, Vue vuarth this Hierusalem—vae tibs Hierusalm; which am odern Yorkshireman would interpret, Wa wurthe thee, O Jerualem. There is not a more general expression among the common people in Yorkshire than wee-worth thee, malum siat tibi; and in the West-riding, in the true spirit of Gothism, they say, wee warth thee.

Sundro, separated, or alone. The Saxons said, on fundran, and we alunder. This requires no further illustration.

Twalif, the twelve. The Saxons, Danes, Swedes, Ice-Icelanders, Germans, Low-Dutch, and English, all partake of this Gothic numeral. As the true nature of this word does not immediately occur to every one, you will excuse me if I give a short explanation of it. All nations in numbering counted up to ten, which was their ultimate point; they then began again, and proceeded to another decade, and so on. Thus among the Greeks, dena, evera, dudena. In Latin, decem, undecem, duodecem. Twalif then is a dissipliable composed of twa, two, and lif, which is our leave or lest; so that the word means, two that are lest or remain above the first ten that is numbered. In the same manner our eleven and the Saxon endluson, signify one remaining above that number.

Frehun, inquired, asked. From the Gothic frachnan, the Saxons made frægnan; the Germans say at this day frahen in the same sense, and the Dutch vragen. We also were acquainted

acquainted with this verb some centuries ago; but if it is not quite obsolete at this time is a matter of doubt, though Somner says it obtains in Lancashire. Robert Longman, who slourished about 1350, thus introduces it:

"Thus rol'd in russet I romed about
All a fomer season for to seek Dowell,"
And freynd (that is inquired) full oft of folks that I met,
If any wight wish where do well was at June."

Gawen Dowglas again:

"And all enragit gan after harnes frane."
i. e. ask for arms.

Quath, he fays; from whence the old English quoth; Im to them; Ist gibban, it is given; 12015 to you, vide Archæologia, vol. V. p. 350.

Kunnan, to know; hence the Saxon cnawan and our know. Many branches have spouted out from this root. To con, to ken, cunning, and the French connoisseur, now incorporated into our language.

Runa, the mysteries or secrets. Upon this word a great deal of learning is displayed by Wormius, Junius, Hickes, and other writers of Scandinavian litera ture. It is only material to my purpose to observe, that as it originally signified a mystery or secret, so did it descend to us with that idea annexed to it. To rowne is in all our poets to whisper a secret. Thus Chaucer:

" Another rowned to his felaw low."

Gawen Dowglas translates this expression of Virgil:

" Iidem ita fata ad aurem."

" And

And in his trusty ear thus privily Rounes" - that is, whispers.

From the notion of that secrecy with which matters of importance are debated upon, and determined, this word runa is also used in the Codex Argenteus as an assembly of persons met together in confultation, concilium. It is somewhat extraordinary, that Junius, who professedly wrote upon the English language, when explaining this Gothic verb, should mention a plain in Lombardy, formerly called Rungalle, which he interprets Curia vel concilium Gallorum, and should forget the celebrated Running-mead in England, so called from that famous affembly of the king and barons, where affairs of an important and publick concern were determined. Lambarde, who wrote in Queen Elizabeth's time, gives a proper derivation of that name. "The place, fays he, is called Runemede, from a publick confultation held there; for Ruman in the Saxon speech, which was not then so much forgotten, signifieth to consult or talk together, which word, continues he, is not yet clean gone, for we fay that men rounde together, when they whifper or talk foftly one to another."

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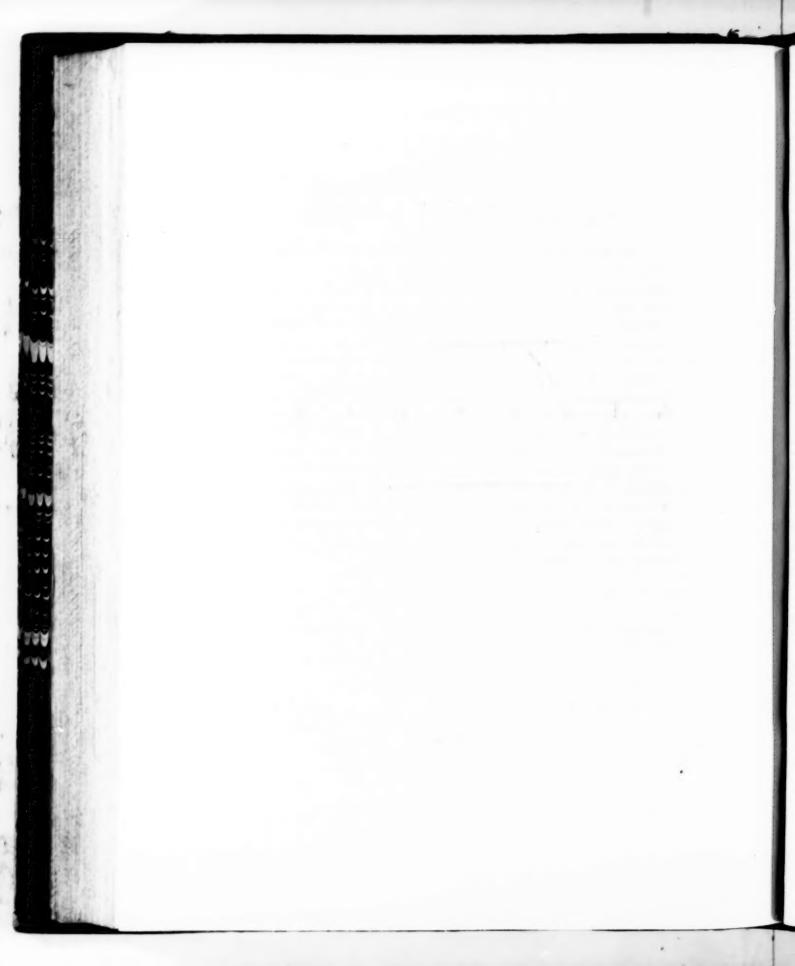
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## COUNCIL OF THE SOCIETY

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DECEMBER 15, 1776.

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That fuch curious communications as the Council shall not think proper to publish entire be extracted from the Minutes of the Society, and formed into an Historical Memoir, to be annexed to each future. Volume of the Archaeologia.

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Nov. 22, 1787.

M. LYSONS exhibited an urn taken out of a tumulus or barrow, in a field called *Inlands*, near *Hazleden*, in the parish of Rodmarton and county of Gloucester, in the year 1779. It was deposited in the centre of the tumulus, in a pentagonal cell about two feet five inches in depth, formed by five large hewn stones, over which was placed another very large stone to secure it.

The tumulus from the top of it to the level of the field in which it stood was somewhat more than ten seet in depth, and consisted of fine black earth mixed with wood ashes, except a stratum of rubbish twenty inches in depth from the top. In the urn was a considerable quantity of ashes and burnt bones.

Another fmaller tumulus adjoining to the one above mentioned was also opened at the same time, in which the urn was not deposited in a cell, but buried in the earth, so that it could not be taken out entire. Such parts as could be preserved of it were exhibited, from which it appears to have been of the same kind as the preceding.

Dec. 13, 1787.

Ancient vessels and instruments of facrifice discovered in the year 1785, by the falling in of the vault of an aedicula adjoining to the walls of a temple in the lower part of the antient Præneste; and exhibited to the Society by Charles Townly, Esq.

A Cista Mystica, of a cylindric form, ornamented with various figures relative to the Eleusinian mysteries.

A vase, with handles formed of figures of Pans.

Another vafe, with handles terminating in escallop shells.

A large bason, with handles, and the usual rising ornament in the centre.

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A Patera,

A Patera, ornamented with mystic figures; the handle formed of a figure of Isis.

A Sympulum; the extremities of the handle formed of two fwans' heads.

A Spoon: the handle of which is composed of a dolphin and a rudder.

A facrificing knife.

Two Crotalæ.

A fmall tripod, to contain fire.

Three Armillae.

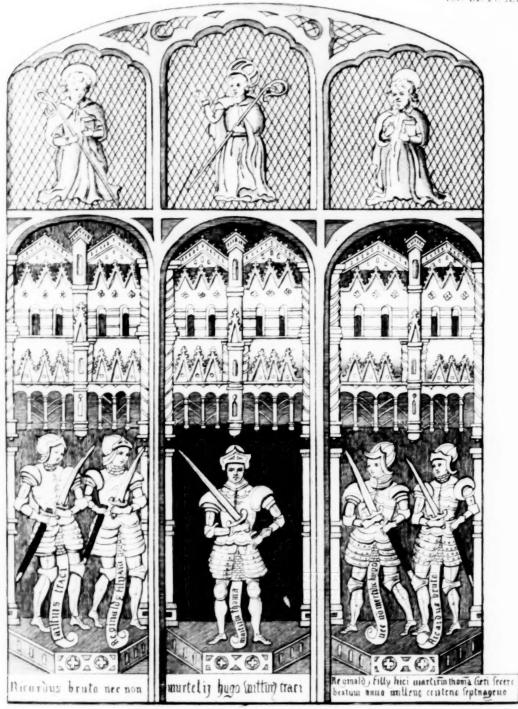
A figure of Mars, armed.

### May 8, 1788.

Mr. Lysons exhibited a small bronze sigure of Diana, belonging to Mr. Walter Hill of Gray's-Inn; and found some years ago at Weston under Penyard, near Ross, in Herefordshire.

### May 22,

Owen Salusbury Brereton, Esq. V. P. exhibited a beautiful coloured drawing of a window in the parish-church of Brereton, one of the oldest in the county-palatine of Chester; but the date of it is not exactly known. In the lower compartments are four figures representing the four persons who slew Thomas Becket at the high altar in Canterbury cathedral, 1170. They are in complete armour, with drawn swords in their hands, and on pendant scrolls are inscribed their names; William Tracy, Richard Britton, Reginald Fitzurse, and Hugh Morrel. A fifth figure, exactly corresponding with these, in the centre compartments, bears, on the like scroll, these words, Martyrum Thomam. In three compartments of the upper division of the window are two priests, and between them a figure episcopally habited, most probably intended for Becket himself. Under



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Lest this moniment in plase beinge in supper Window of the Northe Ede the Chauncell of Brereton Churche houlde be broken, is with Brereton knight, Sto the and hit may remayne in memoric to the posteretie, have caused the same to be heare purtred the xxv. of Marche 1608.

the five lower figures, after their names are these words, intended for two hexameter lines:

## Partyzum Chomam fieri feceze beatum anno milleno centeno feptuageno.

Under these the following inscription represented in the oppofite page:

"Lest this monument in Glase being in the upper window of the North syde the chauncell of Brereton churche shoulde be broken, I Sir Will'm Brereton, knight, to the end hyt may remayne in memorie to the posteritie, have caused the same to be heare purtred, the 25th of Marche, 1608.

W. Brereton."

Sir William Brereton, who figns the writing, was lord of the manor, and built a noble house close to it in 1579. He was the son of that William Brereton who was one of the persons put to death by king Henry VIII. as a pretence for his charge against his queen Anne Boleyn.

This Sir William was knighted by Queen Elizabeth, and made one of her Gentlemen Ushers. An original picture of him, with the Queen's head on the front of his cap, is now in the possession of Owen Salusbury Brereton, esq.

#### May 29.

The hon. Daines Barrington exhibited a feal lately found near. Dunster Castle, in Somersetshire. It represents a monk on his knees before the Virgin and Child. The inscription round it,

#### PHILIPPI SCELER' DILVE XPIFERA.

The last word to be read Christofera.

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It probably belonged to some of the priors of the Benedictine priory sounded at Dunster by William de Mohun or Moion, first lord of Dunster, in the time of William the Conqueror; of which see Tanner's Notitia Monastica, p. 476.

Samuel Wegge, Esq. Treasurer of the Royal Society, exhibited a bronze figure of Mercury lately dug up in Richborough . castle, Kent.

June 5, 1788.

The bishop of Carlisle exhibited a curious Roman eagle in steel, supposed to have been a military ensign, and found lately at Silchester, by the Rev. Mr. Powis, rector of that place.

Governor Pownall communicated an account of a Roman veffel nearly entire found in the area of Lincoln castle, May 9, three feet and an half below the surface of what appears to be the natural rock, and sourteen feet below the present surface. It is of black pottery, and one side of it is excavated in several places as if by lying in contact with some corrosive matter, because such damage could not happen by violence without the whole vessel being destroyed. Another fragment of a Roman vessel found in the rubbish of a Roman building in Lincoln castle had been apparently gilded, and was of a different earth from any the Governor had seen.

A labourer digging a ditch in a field near Rotbley Temple, in Leicestershire, about five miles North of Leicester, 1784 or 5, found among fragments of stone and lime, about two feet below the surface, a cross plated with silver and gilt, and having behind it a needle and hook, as if to fasten it to a garment: at a

<sup>\*</sup> See it Pl. XXIV. fig. 3.

few yards from it some coins of Constantine, and a circular piece of metal, perhaps part of a fibula. At the distance of sixty yards from the spot was a tesselated pavement, a square of about sour seet, and within a soot of the surface of the ground, formed of limestone cubes of disserent colours, which soon after being exposed to the air changed to grey." Extract of a letter from Thomas Babington of Rothley Temple, Esq. to Sir Joseph Banks, bart. dated June, 1788.

Mr. J. Usher, in a letter to General Melville, from Gloucester, relates that single Roman coins of no great value are daily pickt up there, and in some gravel pits sound by half a dozen at a time, in turning the gravel, but in general much corroded; that he sound a Gordian in middle brass in high preservation. The workmen had come to a vallum or ditch, about ten seet deep, entirely silled up, wherein were sound bones of men and horses, a sew coins, mostly defaced with rust. Such as were legible were sour in large brass of Claudius. Reverses,

OB CIVES SERVATOS.
ANTONIA AVGVSTA.
CERES AVGVSTA.

Vefpafian. Reverse, a semale figure standing with a crown in one hand, and the sasces in the other. Small brass: VRBS ROMA, the wolf and twins.

A radiated head. Reverse a horse standing on his hind feet. Another, FIDES AVGVSTA.

Several pieces of urns and rufty iron, two fine fibulæ, and a shell, one fibula enameled with blue varnish, and not unlike some in Montfaucon, III. p. 29. fig. 4. from Beger.

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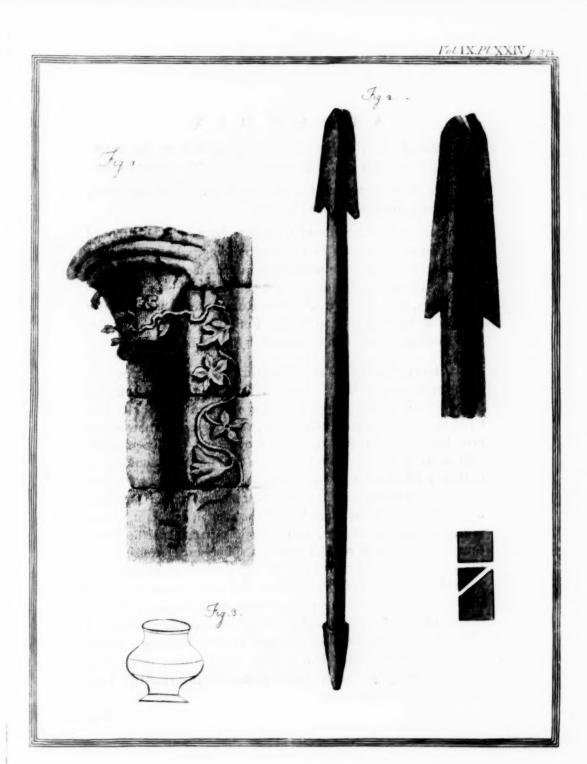
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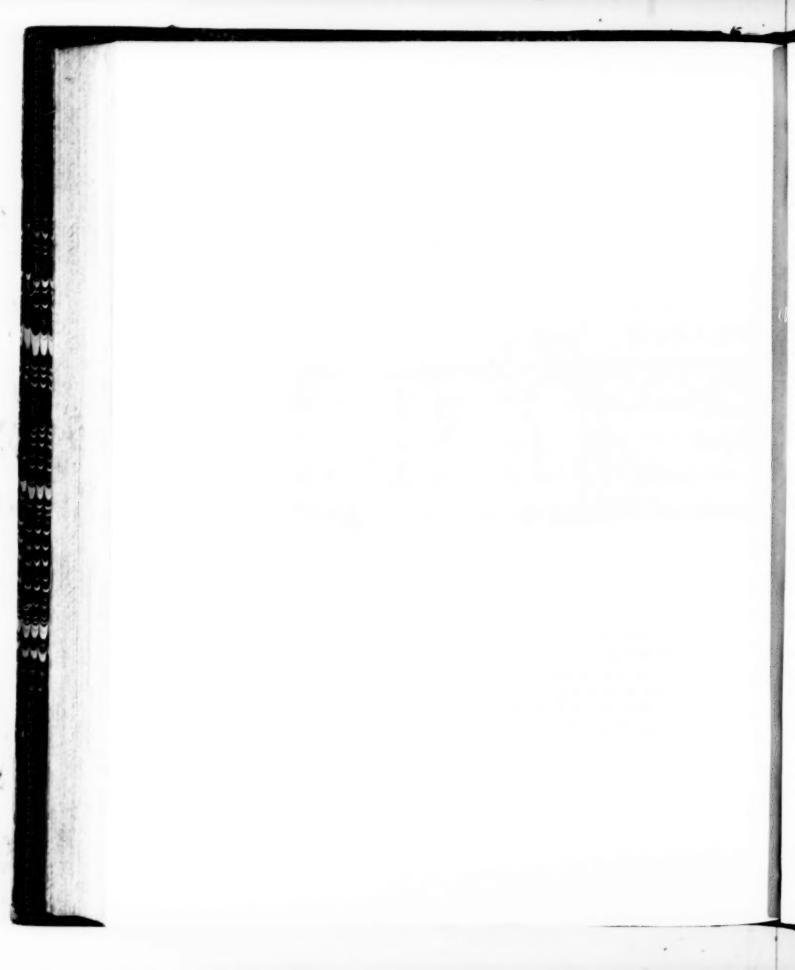
A stilliard, with two fulcra, and graduated on the correfponding fides: but of the antiquity of this Mr. Usher doubts.

At the depth of nine feet were found fourteen fluted beads, half an inch in diameter, and pierced.

The ditch abovementioned feemed to have inclosed a spot of ground on which stood a very antient building, whose abutments thirty or forty years ago were three or four feet above ground, supposed by the inhabitants to have been a palace of the Mercian kings, but by Mr. Usher a Roman fort, being situate exactly at the termination of the Fosse-way from Cirencester to Gloucester; and close to it remains a very fine spring.

Sir Henry Englefield gave a beautiful drawing from a capital. from the ruins of St. Mary's abbey at York, (fee Pl. XXIV. fig. 1.) on which he observes, " few of the ornaments of our Gothic buildings can lay claim to originality; this fragment is however an exception; and the idea is not only new, but highly graceful. The waving foliage which runs up the hollow moulding is evidently taken, though not very exactly, from the ivy, whose tendril, at the height of the capital, quits its former fituation, and winding over the plain bell of the capital, invests it with a foliage as natural, as new, and almost as graceful as the Acanthus on the basket of Callimachus. The exquisite beauty of the young shoots of ivy twining round the mouldings of an ancient building, must have struck the most careless eye; but this is believed to be the only instance of its being applied to ornamental architecture, and it has a most pleasing effect. I will just add, that the small remnant of this building, which has escaped the merciless hands of the limeburners, shews it to have been one of the most elegant edifices in this country, both in its defign and execution."







#### May 14, 1789.

"Amongst the friends of Wykliffe was an Earl of Salisbury, "who for contempt noted in him towards the facrament in

" carrying it home to his house, was enjoined by Radulph

" Ergham, bishop of Salisbury, to make in Salisbury a cross of

" stone, in which all the story of the matter should be written,

" and he every Friday during his life to come to the cross barefoot

.. and

"and bareheaded in his thirt, and there upon his knees to do pe-

Ex Chron. Mon. D. Albani, in vità Ric. II.

The only public flone croffes known to have been in Salisfarry, are, the poultry crofs, the cheefe crofs, Bernard's crofs, and the crofs before the western door of the cathedral. I apprehend neither could answer the description here given, but that which is now called the poultry cross.

This cross in its present state is but the ruin of what it originally was, having been abridged of its original height; for if an architect examines it but a moment, he will observe, that the termination of the top with a ball and fundial, and the flat roof covered with lead, are totally foreign to the rest of the design, and that all that part which was intended for the cross infels is totally destroyed; yet if we may judge by the style of the lower part which remains, it must formerly have been a beautiful piece of architecture.

Its form is hexagon; over each arch remains a niche for a statue, though reduced to half its height by the demolition of the upper part. It was probably thus far demolished about the time of the Reformation, an age so hateful to images and crosses, or perhaps it might have been in a ruinous state, and therefore taken down. However it be, it seems for the sake of convenience and situation to have been repaired and converted to a market for poultry, greens, &c. and the sundial on the top added for the convenience of persons resorting to it. In the center of this cross underneath, there still remains a pillar cut towards the top into six sides, which appear once to have had a superscription. They are supported by six demi-angels bending for-

ward, each holding a shield, the arms defaced; tis worthy of remark, that each of these sides faces the open part of each arch, so that a person standing on the outside might read any thing written thereon. If we refer to the above quotation it says, "all the story of the matter was written (not on but) in the cross."

It is next remarked, that fuch a penance as this, to come and kneel before the cross in the open air every Friday in the year, in the heat of fummer, and in the frost and snow of winter, barefooted, bareheaded, and in his fhirt, and this during the whole period of his life, was a most rigid and unmerciful fentence against a nobleman of such high birth, for so compatively small an offence. The bishop must have had other reafons stronger and more substantial for thus degrading a Montacute, which I shall endeavour to explain; first observing however, that the person here meant was not the Earl of Salifbury, he being about the king's person, and in high favour at the court of Richard the Second, nor would Ergham have ventured, whatever his pique might be, to have proceeded fo rigoroufly against a favourite of the king's; neither do I suppose the earl could well be a refident at Salitbury fo as to offend by carrying the facrament home to his house; besides we find that his country refidence was (when could guit the court) at Christ-church Twynam, at which place his will is dated 20th April 1397.

But the person here meant was certainly John de Montacute, the nephew and heir to the then Earl of Salisbury, whom he afterwards succeeded; and the reason principally which rendered him so obnoxious to the bishop is given us by Dugdale, Walsingham, and Holinshed. "This is that John de Montacute (says

Dugdale)

Dugdale ) who was one of the chief of the feet called Lollards. and the greatest fanatic of them all, being so transported with zeal, that he caused all the images that were in the chapel at Schenele (Shenly in Buckinghamshire) that had been there set up by the ancestors of his wife to be taken down and thrown into obscure places, only the image of St. Catharine, in regard that many did affect it, he gave leave that it should stand in his bakehouse." Ergham was at that time one of the most zealous men against the Lollards or Wycliffites; a few years before, he had fummoned Wycliffe himfelf to make answer before him at Oxford (anno 1382); but he was supported by so many great men, among whom this Montacute was one, that he elcaped the rage of the bishop, who therefore took every opportunity of mortifying and degrading his supporters and adherents. As to the time of this offence, it must have happened before September 1388, for then Ergham was translated to the rich see of Wells, and this matter must have been compromised before 1392, for in that year (15 R. II.) according to Dugdale, this John obtained license from the king to travel with ten fervants and ten horses into Prossia, where at that time the Teutonic knights were making war on the infidels of Lithuania under the fanction of the Pope. He must therefore have commuted for this offence, and his penance have been moderated on condition of his going to fight against the enemies of the crofs. This compromife was probably fome time in bringing about: for the earl his uncle withdrew from court from 1382 to 1202 the year his nephew went into Prussia, after which he became as great at court as before. Ergham, though bribed with a very rich bishoprick, seems to have been very backward

Prussia, in 1393, was called up to the House of Lords, (probably to wipe off the late disgrace) and fat there as Lord Montacute. His father appears to have been a resident at Salisbury, and by his will dated at that place 30th March 1388, he appointed that if he died any where out of London he should be buried in Salisbury cathedral between two pillars, in a plain tomb with the image of a knight thereon, with his helmet under his head, and the arms of Montacute on the side of the tomb, which corresponds with the tomb now in being in St. Mary's chapel adjoining to that of Longspee. He had another son (Thomas) then Dean of Salisbury, and one other named Simon, from whom are descended the Dukes of Manchester and Montague, and the Earl of Sandwich.

That this John continued, however, in his attachment to the opinions of the Lollards, appears in Fox's Book of Martyrs, Vol. I. p. 580. "In the 18th year of King Richard (1395) the king haftened over from Dublin into England for fear of an inforrection against him (which he was taught to expect) of the Lollards, and at his return he called unto him Richard Sturie (Sturmie of N. Wilts) Lowys Clifford, Thomas Latimer, John de Montacute, William Neville and others, whom he did sharply rebuke and terribly threaten, for that he heard them to be favorers of the new doctrines, charging them straightly, never to hold, maintain, nor favor any more those opinions and conclusions, &c."

Walfingham fays, that this John Earl of Salisbury died at last in these opinions.

Salisbury, January, 1789. HENRY WANSEY.
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"N. B. Since the above was written Mr. Alderman Cooper of Endless-street informed me that many years ago he was told by an old gentleman of this town, that the poultry cross was built by a nobleman by way of penance, with this difference; that he understood it was by one of the Stourton family. H. W."

#### May 14, 1789.

Mr. Bray exhibited the weapon engraved pl. XXIV. fig. 2. which was dug up a few years ago in the camp at Danbury in Essex. It is of solid bone, polished very smooth, sourteen inches long; the head is three inches long, shaped and barbed like an arrow, the sides slat, slightly groved, differing a little in breadth, ending in a blunt point, in which is a slit to receive an iron sastened by one pin running through it. Part of this iron was in it when sound; but has been since lost. The body is round, tapering towards the other end, and terminating in a point. Near the small end, on one side, are two holes which meet in the body, and come out in one on the other side. In these there was, when sound, a small piece of a leather thong.

On Baddow-hall common, a small distance from Danbury, five celts were found by a labourer a few years ago. One of them weighed eight ounces, was near three inches and an half at the broad end, and fix inches in length. Remnants of other things have been found there; but it is not known that any of them have been preserved.

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Danbury camp, of an irregular figure inclining to an oval, about five acres and an half, is fill very visible; the banks are plainly feen on three sides of it. Mr. Morant, in his History of Essex, vol. II. p. 27. 30. gives a plan of it; but says no more than that this place was a strong hold of the Danes, and that on the top of the hill are remains of an antient camp.

Whether it was formed by the Danes at the time of their attempt on Malden, A. D. 921. or at an earlier period, cannot be ascertained; but there can be no doubt that it was used by them on that occasion.

It is on a high hill (a fituation which they often made choice of) about three miles on the right of the road leading from Chelmsford to Colchester, and commands a very extensive view of the country every way, looking to the river Blackwater, which runs up to Malden, to Mersey-island, to the river Crouch, the Swin, Foulness, The Narrows, The Hope, and a part of Kent. The three camps abovementioned are within view of it.

That the Danes infested Eslex, as well as other parts of the kingdom, is well known. They seem at times to have been in possession of the whole of this county. In 882 Alfred surprized, and took, and destroyed sixteen of their ships in the port of Harwich. In 914 the greatest part of Essex submitted to Edward the Elder, and he lay encamped at Maldon. In 921 the Danes took Colchester and killed all the people in it; but made an unsuccessful attack on Malden. Canute has left his name at Canewdon, a village standing on a small eminence above the river Crouch next Rochford; a little to the East of the church remains of a camp have been traced, though now almost

almost lost; and in it some urns have been dug up. About six miles West of this at a place called Rayleigh are some confiderable banks on the West, or South West of the street, on the brow of an eminence. Mr. Morant says, that Suene, who was, as he thinks, a Dane, built a castle here; which is all that is known of this place. About ten miles still more West are said to be remains of another camp on a hill called Laindon-hill, between Billericay and Tilbury, commanding a view of the Thames.

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